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WASHINGTON.

THE DISTRICT INVESTIGATION.

THE CHAIRMANSHIP QUESTION DISPOSED OF —PROCEEDINGS RESUMED—DEMOCRATS AS ECONOMISTS—THE CURRENCY.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The difficulty about the Chairmanship of the District Investigating Committee has been settled amicably by the correction of the journal of the Senate so that the appointment of Mr. Stewart should be as a member of the committee, instead of Chairman. This was the form in which, under the rules, the appointment ought to have been made in the first place, and the change of the journal relieves Mr. Stewart from appearing to be Chairman, when really he is not; and he consented to remain on the committee. Mr. Thurman admitted that the Chairmanship belonged to the Republicans, and Mr. Allison was elected Chairman by the committee. This permitted the work of the committee to proceed, and the entire day was spent in hearing arguments on the motion of the memorialists' counsel for the calling of certain witnesses with a general warrant to bring the private papers and bank accounts of everybody who had had dealings with the District Government. The question raised is as to the right of the committee, and the propriety, if it has the right, to order papers to be produced without some showing as to the existence, custody, and pertinence of the matter required. For instance, the memorialists ask that Mr. Riggs be required to produce accounts of his bank with Kilbourne and Latta, but they make no showing that this firm have a bank account with Riggs, nor indicate to the committee what they expect to prove by the account if produced. The committee will meet to-morrow privately to consider whether it will issue the subpœnas asked for. So far as individual members have expressed their views on this question they appear very little disposed to grant the bill of discovery asked for by the memorialists.

THE UNION AND KANSAS PACIFIC.

The Pacific Railroad Committee of the House have extended the time for hearing the President of the Union Pacific Railroad until Friday. Meanwhile the officers of that road are endeavoring to convince the committee that no additional legislation is needed. They propose to effect an amicable adjustment with the Kansas Pacific Road as regards proportional rates. They intend to take possession for the company of the Wyoming coal lands, and they will fill a vacancy in the directory by a Western Director living on the line of the road.

UNAUTHORIZED PUBLICATION OF GOVERNMENT ADVERTISEMENTS.

The House, by unanimous consent, adopted a resolution calling upon the Secretary of the Treasury for copies of all bills for advertising in newspapers which have been made without the written authority of the head of that Department. It is understood that this resolution is designed to reach newspapers that have been in the habit of inserting Government advertising without authority from any officer of the Government, and presenting bills at extravagant rates for such advertising. The law of 1860 against the payment of such bills is very explicit, but it is known that several claims for large amounts for such advertisements have long been pending. It has come out in some recent inquires concerning the rates demanded of the Government for advertising, that the local papers here have in many instances asked more for the same work than the papers of New-York City.

THE LEGISLATIVE BILL.

The House spent the greater part of the day in Committee of the Whole upon the Legislative Appropriation bill. The opposition to the bill from the Democrats was entirely of a technical and political character. Whenever the appropriation bills come up the Democratic Party is able to furnish numerous champions for economy in small things. Conspicuous in these attempts to defeat the bill, which in the main provides only for appropriations demanded by existing laws, were, to-day, Mr. Holman and Mr. Spear. Mr. Niblack, of Indiana, also a Democrat, had the manliness to rebuke his colleagues for their petty partisanship. Mr. Niblack said that the grounds for honorable opposition were broad enough without descending to attempts to reduce the wages of employees a few pennies a year, and in seeking to save at the spiggot while losing at the bung. He read all his colleagues a severe lesson when he said that most of his own sect had been very eager to vote for the "salary grab" law, and that few of them had returned their back pay. He thought, therefore, that it was indicative of broader statesmanship not to wrangle over such petty technicalities for purely partisan ends. Mr. Cox, of New-York, in the debate went, perhaps, a little further than he intended. He openly declared that he belonged to neither political party, and that he was an eclectic political philosopher. He professed to see some handwriting on the wall which taught him that a new party was forming of which, it would seem, eclectic political philosophers like himself were to be prominent leaders.

THE CURRENCY QUESTION.

Senators Ferry, of Michigan, and Logan, of Illinois, to-day, both presented petitions of New-York business men in favor of an increase in the volume of currency. The petition presented by the first-named gentleman had about 100 signatures to it, and that of the latter about 200. Among the signers were H. W. Vincent, Webster D. Demott, Benjamin J. Levy, Henry Schultz, E. A. Ward, Carter & Hoyt, H. H. Hatch, W. S. Brady, C. A. Thompson, B. B. Williams, J. W. Fellows, Richard Schell, Geo. T. Forrest, Wm. B. Clark, Benedict, Flower & Co., E. W. Whitney, Walter Sherman, J. W. Dean, M. L. B. Martin, Scott, Strong & Co., Richard C. Fellows, Jas. Underhill, and others. The petitioners set forth that they are greatly alarmed at the efforts being made by money-lenders to induce Congress to put a stop to further issue of legal tenders by the Secretary of the Treasury, and to compel him to increase the bonded indebtedness of the Government, in order to cancel and destroy the too limited and only currency on which the whole people draw interest, thus increasing taxation for the benefit of the foreign bondholder, while reducing the means and ability to pay. The rapid and universal increase of the industry, resources, and wealth of the country under the beneficent influence of this safe currency, in which all have confidence and interest, demands its increase rather than destruction. The experience of the last few years, they state, has demonstrated that there is an insufficiency of currency, especially in the Fall, when the agricultural products of the year must be marketed; hence the increasing stringency has caused great distress and alarm, by which money-lenders have been able to profit for weeks and months to the extent of one-eighth and one-quarter of one per cent. per day, and in extreme cases even as high as two per cent. per day. To such causes they attribute the late panic, and say it will undoubtedly be reproduced with still more prostrating effects unless relief be afforded.

THE DEBATE IN THE SENATE.

Senator Logan occupied all of the afternoon in the Senate in replying to the speech made by Mr. Schurz about two weeks ago on the finances. He denied most of the premises of that gentleman, and argued that he was governed by theories not at all applicable to the demands of our country. He reiterated arguments heretofore made, denying that the late panic was caused by any redundancy of currency, and warmly advocated free banking. The Senate is already growing weary of the reiteration of speeches on the subject of the finances, which have been made over and over again, and the time approaches and may arrive this week when some decisive vote will be taken.

THE LATE MR. SUMNER'S CIVIL RIGHTS BILL.

The Civil Rights bill introduced by the late Senator Sumner on the first day of the present session, but which was referred to the Judiciary Committee several weeks ago by consent of Mr. Sumner on the assurance of Senator Frelinghuysen that it would be reported back within two weeks, has been perfected by the committee, and ready to be reported, but is being held back until Senator Edmunds shall have recovered his health sufficiently to participate in the debate. Mr. Edmunds favors the passage of the bill, and being Chairman of the committee, it is due him as a matter of courtesy that no action be taken during his absence.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

THE CENTENNIAL BILL.

Director General Goshorn, John Welsh, of Philadelphia; Gen. Hawley, of Connecticut, and other friends of the centennial project, appeared before the Senate Committee on Appropriations yesterday and made an argument in support of the Centennial bill. Henry Pettit, an architect of Philadelphia, explained the plan for the construction of the building and the estimated cost of the work. Messrs. Sargent, of California, and Stevenson, of Kentucky, who are opposed to the bill, being absent, attending Mr. Sumner's funeral, the committee took no action.

THE DEFICIENCY BILL.

The House Committee on Appropriations had before them to-day the Deficiency bill. Dr. Linderman, Director of the Mint, made interesting statements relative to a more efficient administration of his bureau. Mr. Conant, the Warrant Clerk of the Treasury Department, was also present to give an explanation.

THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

The Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds will, at their next meeting, act on the report of the sub-committee who went to New-York to take testimony concerning the Eight Hour law controversy.

GEN. SPINNER.

Gen. Spinner has returned to Washington and resumed his official duties. He has greatly improved in health.

NAVAL NOTES.

Capt. A. C. Rhind has been detached from the Congress, and ordered to return home and report his arrival; Lieut. Henry F. Picking, from the Torpedo steamer, and ordered as executive of the Franklin; Lieuts. Albert F. Snow and James D. J. Kelly, from the Torpedo steamer, and ordered to the Congress; Lieut. E. C. Pendleton, from the Washington Navy-yard, and ordered to the Kansas; Medical Inspector A. L. Gihon, from the Wabash, and ordered to the Franklin, and as Fleet Surgeon of the European Station; Medical Inspector G. M. Grinnell, from the Franklin, and ordered to the Wabash; Assistant Surgeon W. B. Davis, from the Saugus, and placed on waiting orders; Pay Inspector A. H. Gilman, from the Wabash, and ordered to the Franklin, and as Fleet Paymaster of the European Station; Paymaster Chas. P. Thompson, from duty in the Bureau of Provisions and Clothing, and ordered to the Congress; Paymaster Geo. Cochrane, from the Congress, and ordered to return home: Paymaster F. C. Crosby, from the Franklin, and ordered to the Congress; Chief Engineer Thom Williamson, from the Navy-yard at Portsmouth, N. H., and placed on waiting orders; Chief Engineer Wm. B. Brooks, from the Norfolk Navy-yard, and ordered to the Franklin, and as Fleet Engineer of the European Station; Chief Engineer Wm. G. Buchler, from the Franklin, and ordered to return home.

THE REDUCTION OF THE ARMY.

The House Committee on Military Affairs to-day perfected their bill for the reduction of the army. They propose to cut off five regiments of infantry, one of artillery, and one of cavalry. This is to be done gradually by the 1st of January, 1875; the number of enlisted men to be 25,000; such officers as may resign before that time to receive a year's pay. The army, according to the bill, will consist of twenty regiments of infanty, nine of cavalry, and four of artillery.

THE COMMITTEE ON PATENTS.

The House Committee on Patents had before them to-day an application for the extension of Aiken & Felthausen's sewing-machine patent, but came to no conclusion. The committee adopted a rule that all applicants or remonstrants be notified by the Clerk to present their cases in writing or print. If this is not done in ten days the cases will be considered as abandoned.

TREASURY BALANCES.

The following were the balances in the Treasury at the close of business to-day: Currency, $3,534,111; special deposit of legal tenders for the redemption of certificates of deposit, $52,810,000; coin, including coin certificates, ($40,705,700,) $86,586,624; outstanding legal tenders, $382,000,000.

THE HOWARD CASE.

In the Howard case to-day the examination was continued with regard to the regulations concerning disbursements of public funds. The examined were Adjutant Gen. Townsend, Paymaster Gen. Alvord, and Lieut. Col. Foster, of the Corps of Engineers.

THE HEALTH OF ADMIRAL FOSTER.

Admiral Porter, who has been sick for several days, is somewhat better this afternoon, but is still confined to bed.

NOMINATIONS BY THE PRESIDENT.

The President sent the following nominations to the Senate to-day: James W. Steele, of Kansas, to be Consul at Matanzas, Cuba; L. B. McLaws, to be Collector of Internal Revenue for the First District of Georgia; F. B. Bradwell, to be Register of the Land Office at Pembina, Dakota; J. C. Smith, to be Register of the Land Office at La Mesilla, New-Mexico; Jesus Armijo, to be Receiver at the same place. To be Postmasters—Charles H. Prince, at Augusta, Ga.; B. F. Bell, at Americus, Ga.; Albert J. Lowery, at Placerville, Cal.; H. H. Hoskins, at Nevada City, Cal.; Joseph A. Scranton, at Scranton, Penn.; S. D. Atkins, at Freeport Ill.

A PICTURE OF THE PRESIDENT.

A committee from New-Orleans to-day presented to President Grant a picture of himself, heroic size, on horseback, the work of Mr. Pierson, but purchased of him by Dr. Crasto, an Italian of that city, for this purpose. Senator West made the presentation speech in the presence of the Cabinet and the President's household, and subsequently they all partook of a lunch with the President. The frame of the picture is native cypress, heavily gilt.

PROVISIONS OF THE BILL FOR A REDUCTION OF THE ARMY.

Representative Coburn's bill, introduced in the House, to-day, provides for a reduction of the army to 25,000 men, to be composed of twenty regiments of infantry, nine of cavalry, and four of artillery, thus dispensing with seven regiments. The offices of Regimental Adjutant and Quartermaster, and one Major in all of the cavalry and artillery regiments are abolished. The permanent staff is reduced in several corps, and a provision is made for filling the lower grades from the line. The Engineer and Medical Corps, and the Bureau of Military Justice, and the Pay Department, are excepted from details. Detailed staff officers are to serve four years, the object being to select the best material for staff duty and promotion. Promotion in all branches is to be opened. Officers are allowed to resign on one year's pay as before. Regiments are to be consolidated, and officers assigned to staff or line duties, or, if unworthy, are to be mustered out by a board. Those of over thirty years' service thus put out are to go on the retired list. No officer is to go out or be put out by reason of mere reduction of force, but to continue in service unless he resigns or is removed by the board. Provision is made for the payment of troops by drafts at convenient posts as pensions are now paid.

PENSIONS.

The House Committee on Invalid Pensions to-day agreed to an amendment to section 1 of the Pension act of March 3, 1873, to extend the time to the 4th of July, 1876, for State militia men to prosecute the claims to a successful issue, as they had only one year to file applications in and prosecute, which time they (the committee) think is too short, owing to the necessary delay in procuring the record evidence from the War Department, and also the fact that the cases have to wait long for examination by the Pension Office. A memorial was presented to Congress to-day, representing the great injustice done to thousands of deserving claimants by the general limitation of fees in pension cases.

REVENUE PENALTIES AND FORFEITURES.

The Treasury Department has prepared a statement, to be sent to Congress, of the fines, penalties, and forfeitures in New-York from Nov. 30 to March 1. A portion of the collections for January and all for February remain undistributed in the Treasury. The gross proceeds are stated at $195,946; duties, $4,978, and expenses, $7,027; net amount covered into the Treasury, $183,241. The Collector, Naval Officer, and Surveyor of New-York, each received of the amount thus far distributed, $1,439. Jayne is mentioned in one case involving $48,491, but his claim to the moiety is contested. The gross proceeds at Boston for the same period are $2,919; net amount covered into the Treasury, $1,984. The Collector, Naval Officer, and Surveyor received each $36.

PERSONAL.

The condition of Hon. Nathan Sargent seems to be improving.

Judge Dent still lies in a critical condition, without any prospect of recovery.

Admiral Porter is recovering from a severe cold, and will probably leave his bed this week. His condition has at no time been alarming.

ALBANY.

THE APPROPRIATION BILL.

DEBATE IN THE SENATE—SENATOR WOODIN'S AMENDMENT GRANTING $125,000 TO THE ACADEMIES ADOPTED—THE GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Tuesday, March 17, 1874.

The whole of to-day's session of the Senate was devoted to the consideration of the Appropriation bill in Committee of the Whole. Speaking to Senator Woodin's amendment to insert $125,000 for the benefit of academies throughout the State, Senator Dow said that he was strongly in favor of the proposition. There had been no protest against the appropriation, and only one of the many newspapers in the State had spoken against the measure. Senator Lowery had objected to the appropriation on the ground that the academies were private institutions. A reference to the revised statutes would show that the gentleman was mistaken in this. Senator Lowery here asked the speaker if the title to the property of the Academies was vested in the Trustees or the State. Senator Dow replied that the title was certainly vested in the Trustees; but that the academies were, nevertheless, public and not private institutions. They were under the control of the Regents of the University. They were the very back-bone of the State system of public schools, and were eminently worthy of support. The appropriation was to be distributed among one hundred and two academies proper, and ninety-four minor schools having academic departments. Upward of three hundred thousand children attended these schools, all of whom would be more or less benefited by the appropriation. Senator Lord opposed the proposition in a long speech, after which the amendment was adopted by a vote of 17 to 9. After a long and heated discussion of the clause making an appropriation for the State Normal Schools, the bill was progressed, and, on motion of Senator Wood, made the special order for to-morrow.

TAXATION OF BONDS AND MORTGAGES.

The Senate Judiciary Committee, after many consultations and hearings, have decided to report against the bill exempting bonds and mortgages from taxation.

CITY RAILROAD MEASURES.

The Senate Railroad Committee have decided to report in favor of the bill to extend the time for building the Gilbert Elevated Railroad. The same committee will probably report in favor of the bill granting the Harlem Railroad Company the right to build a rapid-transit road in Fourth avenue.

THE NEW CAPITOL FRAUD INVESTIGATION.

The Finance Committee to-day continued the investigation of the alleged frauds in the construction of the new Capitol, but no new facts of interest were elicited.

THE GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

In the lower House, to-day, the third reading of bills occupied most of the day session. The act authorizing the Grand Trunk Railway Company to purchase and hold real estate in Buffalo excited considerable discussion. Mr. Alberger spoke in defense of the bill, claiming that it merely gave to the company needed facilities in Buffalo. The granting of those privileges would inure to the advantage of the City of Buffalo and benefit the commerce of the State. The bill demanded nothing that conflicted with the interests or the rights of American citizens. Mr. Alvord contended that it was at once unconstitutional and impolitic to permit foreign corporations to come into this State and acquire the right of eminent domain. He entertained no objections to allowing them to come in and purchase the property if they choose, but he would not give them the right to take possession at their own pleasure of any property they might covet. He moved to recommit the bill. The motion was lost, and the bill passed by the vote of 68 to 23.

SHEEPSHEAD BAY AS A RIVAL TO LONG BRANCH.

Mr. McGroarty, of Kings, to-day introduced two bills authorizing the extension of Eighty-sixth street and Ocean avenue, in Kings County, to the Atlantic Ocean. The work is to be done at the expense of Austin Corbin, of Brooklyn, who owns the lands which are to be improved, and he is authorized to build two drawbridges and charge reasonable toll over the road. He owns an island at the mouth of Sheepshead Bay, and purposes making it a watering-place equal to Long Branch.

THE BILL TO ESTABLISH A COMMERCIAL COURT OF ARBITRATION.

The bill establishing a Court of Arbitration for the settlement of differences among the merchants of New-York City, was considered in the House this evening, and ordered to a third reading by a unanimous vote. The only amendment made to the bill was one striking out the section which provided for the payment of the salary of the Chief Arbitrator by the City and County of New-York. His salary is $7,500 per annum.

TENURE OF OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER OF NEW-YORK.

The Committee on Cities will, on Thursday next, hear arguments on the bill introduced by Mr. Leake legislating Controller Green out of office and making the office of Controller of the City and County of New-York elective.

The Railroad Committee are about to report favorably the bill authorizing the Greenwich Street Railroad Company to extend its tracks, amended by striking out the clause in relation to the Forty-second street and other branches.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC EDUCATION.

There was a joint session of the Committee of the Senate and Assembly on Public Education this afternoon, at which the Chancellor of the University, Mr. J. V. L. Pruyn, and Messrs. Henry R. Pierson, and E. Leavenworth, Regents, and their secretary, Mr. Woolworth, spoke, saying they had nothing to offer in opposition to any action the Legislature might take concerning the continuance of their existence as a board, but they wished the committee to understand that they were extremely anxious that the present system of education should be continued, and that nothing should be done which would have a tendency to dwarf the Department of Public Education. Another hearing is to be had, when those who urge the discontinuance of the Board of Regents are expected to give their reasons.

REPORTED EARTHQUAKE.

VOLCANIC DISTURBANCE IN NORTH CAROLINA.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., March 17.—We have no positive information of the volcanic disturbance reported from Raleigh. It is reported from Ashville as being between that place and Old Fort, and not at the Bald Mountains. The rumbling sounds have been heard and tremors felt frequently during the last two or three weeks for some distance in that vicinity.

THE REPORTS CONFIRMED.

RALEIGH, N. C., March 17.—Passengers from the west on this morning's train confirm the reports of the rumbling noises and the general upheaving of the Bald Mountain in Western Carolina. People living on and near the mountain are moving out, and a volcanic eruption is momentarily expected.

SHOCK OF AN EARTHQUAKE IN NOVA SCOTIA.

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia, March 17.—There was a slight shock of earthquake at Yarmouth on Thursday.

THE MASSACHUSETTS SENATORSHIP—THE CONTESTANTS.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

BOSTON, March 17.—The contest for United States Senator in place of Mr. Sumner is narrowing, and the principal candidates are now conceded to be Dawes, Adams, Hoar, and Banks. The strongest lobbying to-day was for Dawes, but the feeling that he is Gen. Butler's choice operates against him. Adams is urged by the stronger men, and it is thought his chances lie in the possibility of a tie of Republicans between Dawes and Hoar. The Democrats propose to unite on one man, and that a liberal Republican rather than a Democrat, in the hope that some Republican votes may be drawn. That man, it is believed, will be Banks. The Democrats have 75 votes out of 280. The Butler interest is supposed to be working for anybody to beat Hoar, and if it is found that Dawes cannot be carried it is believed now that it will be thrown for Banks or Adams. The conduct of Dawes during the Simmons' fight is operating against him now. Hoar has strengthened since the last meeting of the Legislature. Butler has been in the city all day, and his Pemberton Square Head-quarters have appeared unusually busy. The election takes place on Tuesday next. Efforts are making to get expression of the people of the State, but there is little belief that they will succeed.

THE WILL OF MISS SOPHIA J. SNOW ADMITTED TO PROBATE—THE BEQUESTS.

BOSTON, March 17.—The will of Miss Sophia J. Snow, which was offered for probate some months ago, but delayed by reason of a commission being sent to Naples to take the deposition of witnesses, has just been admitted to probate by Judge Ames. The following is a list of the benefactions she made: To the Sailors' Snug Harbor at Quincy, $20,000; Warren Street Chapel, $5,000; Massachusetts General Hospital, (for the support of four beds,) $5,000; Old Women's Home, $10,000; Children's Home and Home for Aged Women in Roxbury, $10,000; Old Colored Women's Home, $10,000; Roxbury Charitable Society for the Benefit of Destitute Widows and Orphans, $5,000; Unitarian Association of Boston for the Support of Preaching to Destitute Societies, $5,000; Unitarian Society in Brunswick, Me., $5,000; Children's Mission to Destitute Children, $5,000; Roxbury Athenæum, for the enlargement of the library, $5,000. Total of bequests, $85,000. In addition to the above she give all her paintings, after certain contingencies, to the Boston Athenæum. The will is short and concise, and closes with these words, "I forbid all person or persons to break this my last will and testament, and whoever attempts to break it or breaks it, may he, she, or they find no peace for mind or body in this world or in the world to come."

THE STATE TREASURY DEFALCATION.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 17.—Counsel for Phelps, charged with larceny from the State Treasurer's Office, has moved for a postponement of his trial until the next Oyer and Terminer, on the ground that a material witness has disappeared with important papers in his possession. Counsel think that the witness can be produced by the time the next Oyer and Terminer sits. District Attorney Moak opposed the motion.

AN EXTRADITION CASE IN HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA.

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia, March 17.—The man Johnson, who is held here for extradition under a charge of uttering counterfeit United States notes in New-Hampshire, was under examination again to-day. A witness for the defense was heard, when the examination was adjourned till to-morrow.

THE GRANT PARISH PRISONERS.

NEW-ORLEANS, March 17.—The jury in the case of the Grant Parish prisoners brought in a verdict of not guilty as to Alfred Chervis. The jury announcing there was no possibility of agreement as to the others, they were discharged by Judge Wood, and the prisoners were remanded on motion of the District Attorney, who announced that there were other indictments against them.

HEAVY WEATHER AT SEA.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 17.—The steamer Alpha, which arrived here from Bermuda and St. Thomas last evening, encountered very heavy weather two nights after leaving here on the outward passage, in which she was hove to for twenty hours. On the afternoon following the boat on the port quarter, with one of the davits and extra lashings was carried away. The following day she was again hove to for six hours. The Alpha also experienced very heavy weather and head-winds the entire passage back, and was several days behind time. Three or four hundred tons of cargo were thrown overboard, and the propeller and rudder damaged. The ship is now discharging cargo for the purpose of making temporary repairs.

CELEBRATION OF ST. PATRICK'S DAY IN THE COUNTRY.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 17.—St. Patrick's Day was observed in this city with more than usual spirit. It has been seven years since the people of Columbus have witnessed any public or street demonstration. This morning at 10 o'clock high mass was celebrated at St. Patrick's Church by Bishop Rosecrans. In the afternoon at 1:30 o'clock the line of march was formed. Besides the Columbus societies and organizations, there were delegations from Urbano and Delaware, Ohio, which carried some very handsome banners. The total number on foot, in carriages, and on horseback was 575. The procession, headed by a platoon of twelve policemen and Sergeant, marched over the route laid out, and at 3:30 it passed the City Hall, where it was reviewed by Mayor Bull. In the evening a festival was held at the City Hall, the proceeds of which will go toward erecting an Episcopal residence for the Bishop. Up to this writing there has been no disturbance of any kind. The day overhead was all that could be desired, and everybody seemed to enjoy themselves.

PHILADELPHIA, Penn., March 17.—St. Patrick's Day was celebrated in this city by the Irish societies of temperance, beneficial, literary, social, and national organizations. Despite the rainy, disagreeable weather, fully ten thousand men paraded with innumerable banners, and over thirty bands of music. One of the organizations paraded 1,200 men. There were many interesting features in the line—barouches filled with children dressed in white and decked with ribbons. There were barouches holding Hebes, who, draped in spotless white and sashed with green, holding a typical harper and a delicate shamrock, represented the maid of Erin. Then there were others, too lovely to be cold and classic, surrounded by little girls bedecked in colors, who typified the Goddess of Liberty and her nursling of the States. The procession was a grand success, and had the weather been clear the number would have been doubled.

BALTIMORE, March 17.—St. Patrick's Day was appropriately celebrated here by a grand procession, numbering about 5,000 men. It moved in seven divisions. Thirty different organizations were in line, including the beneficial, temperance, and other societies, nearly every one of which was headed by a band of music. A notable feature was a triumphal car, in which were seated two young ladies, representing the "Maid of Erin" and the "Goddess of Liberty," surrounded by thirty-two little girls dressed in white, each representing a county in Ireland. Two colored societies, with their bands, formed a part of the pageant. The procession arrived at Monument square at 4 o'clock, where it was reviewed by Mayor Van Sant. The sidewalks and windows along the route of the procession were thronged with spectators.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The procession of the Knights of St. Patrick, and similar associations in honor of St. Patrick's Day, was one of the finest of that kind ever witnessed at Washington. The various organizations passed the White House this afternoon, and were reviewed by the President and members of the Cabinet.

BOSTON, Mass., March 17.—St. Patrick's Day is being observed here in the usual manner, but under the disadvantages of a cold easterly rain.

CHARLESTON, S. C., March 17.—St. Patrick's Day was celebrated here by a large military and civic procession, a public banquet, and a grand ball.

SAVANNAH, Ga., March 17.—St. Patrick's Day was celebrated with great éclat. The day opened with a salute of eighteen guns, one for each of the four provinces of Ireland, one for Ireland, and one for each of the thirteen Southern States. The weather was fine, The demonstration was imposing. The procession numbered 1,500, comprising eight societies, a military company, three bands of music, and carriages containing the orator, the Bishop, and others. The oration was delivered at noon, at the theatre, by Hon. M. P. O'Connor, of Charleston.

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 17.—St. Patrick's Day was celebrated by the Irish citizens of Buffalo with great spirit. The day was pleasant and mild. High mass was celebrated in the morning at the Cathedral, and at all the Catholic churches. In the afternoon, a large civic and military procession paraded the principal streets, with banners and music. The evening was devoted to a public lecture, the proceeds of which were donated to the orphan asylums. The celebration was the most successful ever held in this city, and the most perfect order maintained.

RICHMOND, Va., March 17.—A procession, composed of various Roman Catholic societies in full regalia, together with several hundred non-society citizens, with two bands of music paraded the streets to-day. Solemn high mass was celebrated at St. Peter's Cathedral. The processionists marched to St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum, where they participated in the laying of the corner-stone of the new building for that institution, at which Right Rev. Bishop Gibbons officiated. The procession then proceeded to the Capital square, and passed the Executive mansion, where they were reviewed by the Governor, after which they were dismissed.

CHICAGO, March 17.—St. Patrick's Day was observed here by the celebration of high mass in St. Patrick's Cathedral by Bishop Foley, and by a fine street parade of the various Irish civic and military societies. The procession was at least three miles long, and included over twenty organizations, each preceded by a band of music.

PROVIDENCE, R. I. March 17.—St. Patrick's anniversary was celebrated to-day by services in the Catholic Churches, and by a very large military and civic procession, which was reviewed by the Governor and Mayor. The weather was very unpleasant, but large crowds participated.

ST. LOUIS, March, 17.—The Irish citizens of this city celebrated St. Patrick's Day in their usually grand style. Several societies from the surrounding towns participated. The Irish temperance societies formed a division by themselves, and in view of the present temperance movement, attracted marked attention. They numbered many hundreds.

MEMORIAL SERVICES.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 17.—The colored citizens of Albany had a large meeting here last evening to take appropriate action on the death of Charles Sumner. Mr. J. C. Mathews presided, and eulogistic addresses were made by Messrs. John Q. Allen, E. W. Crosby, Jr., G. W. Johnson, Joseph Smith, and others. Resolutions were adopted expressive of the sentiments of the meeting.

TEXT-BOOKS IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

RICHMOND, Va., March 17.—A number of gentlemen of the leading publishing houses of the country are in the city for the purpose of consulting with the State Board of Education in relation to the text-books used in the public schools.

THE NEW-JERSEY LEGISLATURE.

TRENTON, N. J., March 17.—Resolutions were passed in the House to-day respecting the death of Senator Sumner and Ex-President Fillmore. No important matter transpired in the Legislature.

PROPOSED INCORPORATION OF BELLEVILLE, N. J., AS A CITY.

At a large and influential meeting, held in Belleville, N. J., Monday evening, it was voted, by a majority of over ten to one, to incorporate the place as the City of Belleville, and resolutions were adopted instructing Hon. T. S. Henry, member from that district, to urge the immediate passage of the bill of incorporation, now before the New-Jersey Legislature. A special committee of five was appointed to carry the measure into effect.

THE NEW-JERSEY CENTRAL RAILROAD.

TRENTON, N. J., March 17.—The committee appointed by the Legislature to investigate the matter in connection with the riparian rights of the State, submitted a report to-day setting forth that the New-Jersey Central Railroad Company is in possession of land under water valued at $500,000, without warrant from the State, and recommend that all legislation in regard to said railroad company be stopped until the matter is adjusted.

THE WEST INDIES.

HEAVY GALE AT BERMUDA—DISTURBANCES THREATENED ALONG THE COAST OF HAYTI—MISCELLANEOUS.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 17.—The Alpha, which arrived here last evening, brings the following West India news:

There was a heavy gale at Bermuda on the 2d inst. No boats were, however, destroyed. In parts of the island animals and trees, in exposed situations, suffered. The potatoe crop in some places is blighted. A few days ago a whirlwind passed over Bailey's Bay, doing considerable damage.

Mr. Schlock, Attorney General of Jamaica, and sister died of yellow fever during the present month. A. A. G. Young has been appointed Administrator of the Government, and Mr. McGlosham Acting Colonial Secretary. Her Majesty's ship Eclipse has arrived at Jamaica, from Madeira, and sailed for Honduras. Her Majesty's ship Bellerophon, flagship of Vice Admiral Wellesly, accompanied by the gun-boat Sypher, arrived at St. Thomas on the 3d inst. from Barbados.

Intelligence has been received from Port-au-Prince to the 6th inst., that disturbances were threatened along the coast, and the Haytian Government had dispatched a war-steamer to restore order. The mortality at Port-au-Prince had been unusually large, on account of the change of the season.

The revenue of Demerara for 1873 exceeds the estimates by $100,000, in spite of the loss by waste of $225,000 from the unsatisfactory manner in which the spirit license and rum duties are collected.

The weather continues showery and favorable for the growing crops in that colony. Produce comes forward slowly, grinding not having been generally resumed, and almost the whole is shipped on the estates' account to England.

There is no material change in values to record. Most of the sugar estates on the Island of Trinidad have commenced to grind.

The general estimate of the incoming crops is encouraging. It is thought the sugar crop will be equal, and may exceed, that of last year.

The defacing of copper coin has been made a penal offense in the colony.

THE WEATHER.

SYNOPSIS AND PROBABILITIES.

WASHINGTON, March 18—1 A. M.—The temperature has risen in New-England, with south-easterly winds, cloudy weather, and rain. South-easterly winds, cloudy weather, falling barometer, and high temperature prevail in the Middle States, with rain on the seaboard. South-easterly winds, rising barometer, high temperature, and partly cloudy weather in the lower lake region, and the Ohio Valley. North-westerly winds, falling barometer, and partly cloudy weather in the north-west and Upper Lake Region. The rivers have fallen at Davenport, Keokuk, St. Louis, Cairo, Nashville, Louisville, and Cincinnati, and the Ohio River has risen slightly at Pittsburgh.

PROBABILITIES.

For the North-west and upper lake region, falling temperature, north-westerly winds, cloudy weather and snow, clearing in the forenoon.

For the Lower Missouri and Ohio Valleys, north-westerly and south-westerly winds, partly cloudy weather, and falling temperature.

For the lower lakes, south-westerly winds, lower temperature, and clearing weather.

For the Southern States, south-westerly winds, rising barometer, clearing and clear weather.

For the Middle States, south-easterly to south-westerly winds, high temperature, and clearing weather.

For New-England, southerly winds, cloudy weather and rain, partly clearing in the evening.

The display of cautionary signals will be resumed at the lake stations on April 1.

IN THIS CITY.

The following record shows the changes in the temperature for the past twenty-four hours, in comparison with the corresponding day of last year, as indicated by the thermometer at Hudnut's Pharmacy, No. 218 Broadway:

	1873.	1874.		1873.	1874.
3 A. M.	32°	36°	3:30 P. M.	43°	50°
6 A. M.	31°	35°	6 P. M.	39°	47°
9 A. M.	33°	39°	9 P. M.	35°	45°
12 M.	40°	46°	12 P. M.	34°	42°

Average temperature yesterday.....42½°

Average temperature for corresponding date last year.....35¾°

BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

The internal revenue receipts yesterday were $203,347.

Sarah Hunt, of the Friends' Society, addressed the Trenton, N. J., Legislature, yesterday.

The internal revenue officers have been advised of the death of Collector Hogate, of the Sixth Indiana District.

Officer Ritter, of Station No. 9, Boston, has been exonerated from blame by a Coroner's jury in the shooting of Michael Powers.

Intelligence has been received in Reading, Penn., of the death at London on Monday of Hon. J. Pringle Jones, formerly Judge of that district.

T. B. Farrow, while returning from a circus performance at Batesville, S. C., last Saturday night, was waylaid, murdered, and robbed by two negroes, who made their escape.

At a charter election held at Middleton, N.Y., yesterday, Halstead Sweet, Republican, was elected Mayor by twenty-two majority, over James N. Pronk, Democrat and Liberal.

A posse of officers made a descent on a cock-pit in Worcester, Mass., yesterday, while a cock-fight was in progress, and arrested thirteen men and captured six game-cocks.

EULOGIUM ON CHARLES SUMNER.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 17.—The following resolution, introduced by Lieut. Gov. Van Zandt, passed both Houses of the Legislature to-day:

Resolved, That the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island have received with profound regret the intelligence of the decease of Charles Sumner, of Massachusetts, and desire to express and place upon their records their appreciation of his scholarly statesmanship, devoted patriotism, and his sturdy personal and political integrity.

SUICIDE AT PROVIDENCE.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 17.—George R. Downing, agent of Adams' Express Company, committed suicide this evening, in his private office, by shooting himself through the head. He had appeared to be in his usual spirits but a few moments previously, and had been conversing with a medical friend about a disease of the heart from which he suffered. He was a young man much esteemed.

MARINE DISASTER.

NEW-ORLEANS, La., March 17.—The steamboat South-western, hence on Thursday, for Shreveport, with a full list of passengers, and 500 tons of an assorted cargo, was burned at Colfax, on Sunday morning. The boat and cargo are a total loss. They are valued at $30,000, and are insured for $10,000. The passengers lost their baggage. The officers and crew of the South-western returned here by the Marie Louise.

THE MEMPHIS AND CHARLESTON RAILROAD.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 17.—The Directors of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad to-day refused to accept a proposition of the Southern Security Company to annul the lease and restore control of the road to the stockholders on payment of a bonus of $160,000, which the Security claim to have lost in running the connecting roads.

THE STORM IN GEORGIA.

AUGUSTA, Ga., March 17.—The river at this point is now twenty-five feet deep. The rain has ceased, and apprehensions of a freshet are removed.

LATEST NEWS BY CABLE.

GERMANY.

INDISPOSITION OF THE REICHSTAG TO FIX THE ARMY STRENGTH AT 400,000—DISSOLUTION THREATENED.

BERLIN, March 17.—The *Prussian Cross Gazette* intimates that the Reichstag will be dissolved if it persists in the refusal to fix the ordinary strength of the army at 400,000 men, as demanded by the Government.

GREAT BRITAIN.

VISIT OF THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF EDINBURGH TO CHISELHURST—THE MINISTERIAL ELECTION.

LONDON, March 17.—The Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh visited the Ex-Empress Eugenie at Chiselhurst to-day.

Mr. Disraeli and Sir Stafford Northcote have been re-elected to Parliament without opposition.

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FORTY-THIRD CONGRESS.

FIRST SESSION—March 17.

SENATE.

THE CURRENCY.

Mr. FERRY, of Michigan, said a great effort had been made recently to show that money is abundant in the City of New-York. Such was a perversion of the true state of affairs, as would be seen by a petition which he presented from about 400 leading business men of that City, some of them using millions of money in their business, in which they protest against the efforts now being made to reduce the volume of currency, and pray that the same may be increased, so that the business of the country may be safely carried on. The petition was referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. LOGAN, of Illinois, presented sundry petitions of citizens of his State for an increase in the volume of currency, which were referred to the Committee on Finance.

He also presented a memorial, which he said was numerously signed by business men of New-York City, in which they set forth that they are greatly alarmed at the action of the money-lenders to induce Congress to forbid any increased issue of currency, which at present is insufficient to transact the legitimate business of the country, and ask that it be increased.

Mr. CHANDLER, of Michigan, presented a petition of citizens of Detroit in relation to any increase in the volume of paper currency, and favoring a speedy return to specie payments. He said the petition was signed by all classes of business men, and represented ninety-five per cent. of the whole business interest of that place. It was referred to Committee on Finance.

Mr. FERRY, of Michigan, presented a memorial of citizens of Wayne County in that State, favoring the issue of greenbacks in place of national bank currency.

JURISDICTION OVER AMERICANS IN TURKEY AND EGYPT.

Mr. CAMERON, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, reported favorably on the bill to authorize the President to accept for citizens of the United States the jurisdiction of certain tribunals in the Ottoman dominions and in Egypt, established or to be established, under the authority of the Sublime Porte, and in the Government of Egypt, which was passed.

THE CIVIL RIGHTS BILL.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN said some weeks ago, when the Civil Rights bill was under discussion, upon his statement that if the bill should be referred to the Judiciary Committee it would be reported back soon, the late Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. Sumner) agreed to the reference, and now (Mr. Frelinghuysen) now desired to state that the committee had spent two days in perfecting the bill. It was now ready to be reported to the Senate, having received the approval of the majority of the committee; but as the author of the bill had been taken away, he (Mr. Frelinghuysen) moved not to report the bill or call it up until the Chairman of the committee. (Mr. Edmunds,) who favors it, should be present, that he might take part in the debate. The Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. Sumner) had consented to delay in reporting the bill on account of the ill-health of Mr. Edmunds.

THE ATLANTIC AND PACIFIC LAND GRANT.

Mr. HAGER presented resolutions of the California Legislature, asking that the lands heretofore withdrawn in California for the benefit of the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad be restored to the public domain, the railroad company having forfeited its land grant by non-compliance with its charter. Also resolutions of the same body favoring the survey and sale of mountain grazing lands in California, and favoring the passage of a bill relinquishing a portion of the Presidio reservation to the City of San Francisco for use as a public park.

A REVOLUTIONARY CLAIM.

Mr. NORWOOD, of Georgia, introduced a bill to refund to the State of Georgia the sum of $35,535 expended for supplies furnished troops under the command of Gen. James Jackson in the year 1777, engaged in local defense for the common cause of independence. Referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Claims.

THE DISTRICT INVESTIGATION COMMITTEE.

Mr. STEWART, of Nevada, said, on the 13th of March, just as the Senate was about to adjourn, the President *pro tem.* appointed him Chairman of the joint select committee to investigate the District of Columbia Government affairs. The question having arisen in the committee as to the authority of the President *pro tem.* of the Senate to appoint a Chairman of a committee, he had come to the conclusion that there was cause for doubt as to the power of the Chair, and he had therefore declined to act under the appointment, not feeling justified in doing so.

Mr. THURMAN said the Senate itself could not appoint a Chairman of a joint select committee without an infringement upon the rights of the other House. Neither could the House of Representatives make such an appointment. He supposed the true intent was to appoint the Senator from Nevada Chairman of the Senate branch of the committee. But if the joint committee was composed integrally of two committees, then there must be a quorum of both the House and Senate committees present in order to form a quorum of the joint committee. Again, who would have power to administer the oaths of the committee if each body appointed a Chairman. He argued that it was for the two committees acting jointly to elect a Chairman. The President of the Senate had no right unless specially authorized by the Senate to appoint a Chairman of any committee whatever. It was mere courtesy that the first named in the committee usually acted as Chairman. Any committee, at any time, may elect its own Chairman. The Senator from Ohio (Mr. Sherman) had declined to act as Chairman, and he (Mr. Thurman) also declined. The committee had elected the Senator from Iowa (Mr. Allison) as Chairman, as it had a right to do. He (Mr. Thurman) denied the power of the President *pro tem.*, not only to appoint a Chairman of the Senate branch of the committee, but even to appoint the Senator from Nevada, (Mr. Stewart,) or any other Senator, to take precedence of Senators already appointed on it, without authority of the Senate. The Senate, of course, could do as it pleased, but the President could not appoint any Chairman. He quoted from the debates of Congress in 1848 to show that where a vacancy existed on a committee the Vice President could only appoint a member to fill the vacancy and not appoint a Chairman, and said that he quoted from authorities of the highest. He was well was excused and before Mr. Stewart was appointed, that he would move that the committee elect its own Chairman as soon as the vacancy on it be filled.

Mr. STEWART agreed with the Senator from Ohio (Mr. Thurman) that his (Mr. Stewart's) appointment as Chairman was irregular, and he desired to be excused from service at all under that form of appointment.

Mr. HAMLIN said it was within the power of the committee to elect its own Chairman, and the action necessary to make the record correct was for the President *pro tem.* to appoint the gentleman from Nevada (Mr. Stewart) a member of the committee instead of Chairman. The committee itself had settled the difficulty by the election of its own Chairman.

The Chair (Mr. CARPENTER) said he had no desire now, nor had he any intention to usurp any authority. The original resolution provided that a joint committee be raised, and the opinion of the Chair was, without reflection on the subject, that the power which the Senate possessed was ordinarily conferred upon the Chair. The Senator from New-Jersey (Mr. Frelinghuysen) was not appointed Chairman when the committee was first raised, but was named as first member of the committee, which member usually acted as Chairman. He (Mr. Carpenter) had supposed there were two committees which met jointly the same as the Committee of Conference. After the Senator from New-Jersey declined, he appointed Mr. Boutwell, intending him to act as Chairman, but he was not present, so when he appointed the gentleman from Nevada, (Mr. Sewart,) he intended him to act as Chairman. He would be delighted now to be corrected by the Senate in any error committed.

Mr. THURMAN said he did not intend to impugn the action of the Chair.

The Chair replied that he did not understand the Senator as impugning it.

Mr. THURMAN moved that the journal of March 13 be corrected by the appointment of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. Stewart) as a member of the committee instead of as Chairman of the committee. Agreed to.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE CURRENCY.

The Senate then resumed the consideration of the bill to equalize the distribution of the national bank currency.

Mr. LOGAN addressed the Senate. He quoted additional statistics to shew that his former estimate of the amount of money in England, instead of being too great, was in fact too small. He charged the contractionists with relying wholly upon a theory not applicable to the state of things in our own country, and making no effort to contradict his facts and figures. He referred to the speech of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. Schurz), and said that the statements of that gentleman against an increase all consisted in ringing changes on the cry of speculation produced by a redundant currency. If the gentleman (Mr. Schurz) was correct, a redundant currency caused the panic; otherwise his whole argument had no force or applicability whatever. As England and France, according to wealth and population, have a larger amount of money than we have, then whatever prevents panics there the same cause ought to produce the same effect here. The failure of the panic and of all the power of Wall street to affect the standing of our currency showed that the panic did not in any way result from the character of this currency. If there was an excess of currency at the time the panic came on, why did the price of gold fall, and why did New-York bankers and merchants besiege the President and Secretary for more money? If they were overburdened with it, how did it happen that three Western cities absorbed twenty-four out of twenty-five millions issued in 1873? They moved heaven and earth when they got its equity but now that the West was in want they gave her the cold shoulder and opposed her appeal, and the Senator from Missouri assisted them. If there was such an abundance of money how was it that twenty millions of certified checks were issued by the Bank Clearing-house Association during the panic to supply the place of money? Did not the Senator from Missouri (Mr. Schurz) know that during the year 1873 $23,972,772,939 of checks and certificates, based on great part of which were passed through the New-York Clearing-house, while the transactions of the London Clearing-house for 1873 amounted to $30,000,000,000, nearly $4,000,000,000 less than at New-York? If there is an abundance of money why does interest range in the West from twelve to twenty-four per cent.? Why are petitions from thousands of people now pouring into Congress, asking an increase of the currency? Why do the people of the West, without distinction of party, demand more money? Why do the people of Missouri, whose Senator has declared that there was no necessity for an increase of currency in some form? Nine-tenths of all the people outside of the money lenders and large merchants desire and need an increase of currency. The Senator (Mr. Schurz) took good care not to appeal to his own State for evidence. He says this currency has exerted a "pernicious influence" for the past eleven years. Has he been taking a Rip Van Winkle sleep during that time, that he has failed to mark our progress and prosperity? Is the wonderful increase in wealth and manufactured products of Missouri one of the "pernicious influences" he so much deplores and regrets? The manufactured products of St. Louis alone are four times as much as those of the entire State in 1860. The Senator from Missouri gave as entirely new principle in political economy—more of his own invention. He says that the increase in business, wealth, and population does not require a corresponding increase in currency. This is certainly his own invention, and the whole credit of it is due him. According to this, the new theory, we need no more money now than in the days of Washington; St. Louis needs no more than Jefferson City or St. Joe. Business, he says, can be done without much money. It can be carried on by means of bank checks and certificates, through clearing-houses. The Senator imagines himself in London or New-York, and forgets that he claims to be from Missouri. He seems to imagine banks and a clearing-house at every village and cross-road in the West. He tells us at one time that money will seek the best market; at another that the East is already burdened with an excess. Yet, he says on that if we increase the volume of currency it will flow from the South and West to the East, as water flows to the ocean. He tells us, also, that if we authorize North Carolina to establish banks, she will more she puts into operation the less currency she will have in circulation. In other words, he says to the South and West, "You do not knew what is best for yourselves. Go on tilling the soil, which is your proper employment. You don't know anything about money matters. You don't all that matter to the more intelligent moneyed men of the East, and borrow from them. Your business is to work for them, and take the wealth of your section to pay interest to them. Your increase in manufactures and wealth is pernicious to your welfare." He argued there was a remarkable similarity between the arguments and illustrations of the Senator from Missouri and those of Eastern capitalists. He referred to the quotation from Marco Polo made by the Senator, (Mr. Schurz,) and said that no similarity existed between the money there referred to and our money. He said the arguments and sophisms of the Senator from Missouri might be considered simply as attempts to amuse, if it were not for the grand scheme which appears to lie at the bottom of this combination upon greenbacks and currency for specie payments. Every plan they offer embraces the plan of retiring greenbacks, which do not bear interest, and substituting in their place interest-bearing bonds, payable in gold, without the power of reconversion into greenbacks so as to keep them in circulation, thereby imposing upon the masses of the people an additional burden of twenty millions per annum, and for what purpose and for whose benefit? To enable the Eastern money-holders to have a secure place to loan their surplus funds, and at the same time to get additional interest upon these bonds. They seem to want some way to drain the Treasury of its gold, and thus leave the whole monetary power of the Government in their hands, and at the mercy of Eastern money-holders. Is it any wonder, then, that the West and South, who understand this thing, should look upon it as a movement to strengthen and perpetuate the money monopoly which the present legal restriction gives to the East! It may not surprise us that an Eastern Senator should advocate this policy, but what are we to think when we see Western Senators in the very front of this movement? Is the present movement among farmers, mechanics, and working men without significance? Are we so silly as to suppose that they will see their wages reduced to a mere pittance without a struggle? Hence there are labor strikes and stoppage of business now, what may we expect if we undertake to decrease the currency so that wages will not purchase bread. He said we had more money during the time when the whole South was shut out from its use than we have now, and we these amounts must supply the wants of the whole country with eleven millions more of people to be furnished with a circulating medium, to say nothing of the fact that four millions of people formerly slaves are now free, and must be supplied with a medium of exchange. It is said that speculation in railroads was the cause of the panic, and that this speculation was induced by an abundance of money. Where did these railroads sell their bonds to raise the three hundred and forty million annually used by them? Were those all taken here? No, Sir! Many were based on gold and sold in Europe, therefore this mania for speculation spoken of has nothing more to do with the amount and character of our currency than did the mania with the Mississippi scheme of Holland or the Darien scheme with the money of Scotland. Why do we go to Europe to sell railroad bonds and pay interest to foreigners? Simply because we have not the money here, and, if the Senator (Mr. Schurz) is allowed to have the Senate in this matter, we will still continue to pay tribute to Europe. He presented a table giving the conditions of the New-York banks for five years past, showing that these bear no evidence of unusual loans immediately preceding the panic. The Senator from Missouri had said that the poor men of this country have nine hundren and fifty millions of money on deposit in the savings banks, a larger amount than there is now in the United States, and sufficient, if a run should be made, to drain every bank and the United States Treasury of every dollar. This will certainly be good news to those who are starving in New-York and other cities, and while this scheme of contraction is before the country, these poor people would do well to look after their money. Mr. Logan then presented tables to show that New-England had $110,000,000 national bank circulation, and Illinois less than $18,000,000; that Illinois paid $16,000,000 of internal revenue taxes, and New-England but $5,000,000; Illinois had to pay back to the Government such year an amount nearly equal to her bank circulation, while New-England paid but one twenty-second part. In conclusion, he called upon the Senate to adopt that liberal policy of free banking, which, properly guarded, will not only do justice to all, but will develop the latent resources of the South, which lie dormant under a former mistaken policy, and which will utilize the water-power of Virginia, and the power locked up in the vast coal-fields of Indiana and Illinois, the iron-mountains of Missouri, and the agricultural resources of the whole country—a policy that will put our manufactories again in operation and iron foundries in blast, and give employment to idle hands, prosperity to producers, and happiness to the whole country. He warned the conservative power of this country that, if they attempt to impose further burdens upon the masses of the people, they will finally lose their power altogether. He would stand by the rights of the people, no matter how the moneyed monopolies might attack him or the metropolitan newspapers abuse and criticise him. The Senate, then at 4:30 o'clock adjourned till to-morrow.

HOUSE OF REPESENTATIVES.

Mr. COX, of New-York, presented resolutions reciting the allegation that bills for advertising have been presented to the Treasury Department, which advertising had been done in defiance of the law of the 15th of July, 1870, requiring written orders for all advertising, and directing the Secretary of the Treasury to furnish copies of all such bills, and of the correspondence relating thereto Adopted.

TITLE TO MINERAL LANDS.

Mr. LOWE, of Kansas, from the Committee on Mines and Mining, reported, with a recommendation that it pass, a bill relating to placer mining lands in California. The bill provides that public lands, other than those containing claims or lodes of quarts-bearing gold, silver, cinnabar, lead, &c., or lands containing coal, shall not be excluded as mineral land from pre-emption or homestead entry, unless it be proved that bona fide mining claims exist therein; or the land is necessary for outlet or other mining easement, and that the price of agricultural and placer mineral land outside of the limits of railroad grants shall be $1 25 per acre.

After debate, Mr. LOWE moved to refer the bill to the Committee of the Whole, and it was so referred.

Mr. PAGE, of California, from the same committee, reported back, with amendments, the Senate bill supplemental to the Mining act of May 10, 1872, in relation to perfecting titles to mining lands.

Mr. WOOLEY, of Pennsylvania, offered an amendment providing that all persons, companies, or corporations that own claims or mines on the Comstock Lode must make applications for patents within six months.

Mr. HOLMAN, of Indiana, offered an amendment that the bill shall not affect or make void the proproceedings for patents of applicants for claims on the Comstock Lode, nor affect the provisions of the Sutro Tunnel act.

Mr. SENDALL, of Nevada, opposed Mr. Negley's amendment, which, he said, involved millions on millions of the property of his constituents.

All the amendments were ordered to be printed and the bill then went over till the morning hour to-morrow.

THE LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATION BILL.

After a conflict for precedence between the Cheap Transportation bill, the Legislative Appropriation bill, and a contested election case, the House, at 2 o'clock, went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Woodford, of New-York, in the chair, on the Legislative, Executive, and Judicial Appropriation bill.

Mr. WILLARD, of Vermont, called attention to the inequality of the compensation provided for the officials of Congress, and for those of the various other departments of the Government, and he offered various amendments for the reduction of the pay of door-keepers and messengers in the Capitol, all of which amendments were rejected.

In the course of a discussion on one of these amendments, Mr. Speer, of Pennsylvania, having moved *pro forma* to reduce an item $10, and it having been referred to by the Chairman as "the ten-dollar amendment," expressed considerable indignation against members on the Democratic side of the House, who, while preaching economy, voted against all propositions to rednce expenses. He also alluded to the Chairman as one who professed to be largely in favor of economy, and of an increase in the hours of clerical labor of the poor girls in the departments, and yet the Chairman had undertaken to fling a taunt at him in relation to his amendment.

Mr. NISLACK, of Indiana, to whom Mr. Speer had alluded, said that he had never adopted the policy of watching the spigot while the bung-hole ran loose, and he intimated that that was the policy of Mr. Speer, who had voted for the bill to add forty-nine new members to the House of Representatives with salaries of $5,000 each and mileage, which bill he (Mr. Nislack) had voted against and opposed.

Mr. KELLEY, of Pennsylvania, replied to Mr. Holman, of Indiana, who had charged the Republican Party with extravagance, and extolled the economical Administration of Mr. Buchanan by asserting that the Democratic party had made a record of profligacy in the expenditure of money which was unparalleled in the history of the world. Under Mr. Buchanan's Administration the expenses ran down from $64,000,000 to $56,000,000, and when the people were so persecuted by taxation, extravagance, and bad legislation that immigration shrank from 250,000 a year to 91,000, and the tide of emigration equaled that of immigration.

Mr. COX, of New-York, joined in the discussion, and declared that language was inadequate to express the contempt of the people for the namby-pamby, shilly-shally, wishy-washy economy of the House. They heard a good deal of grinding, but they saw no meal. [Laughter.] That was a Persian idea. It was Oriental wisdom. Because gentlemen on the Democratic side of the House, aided by one honorable gentleman on the Republican side, (Mr. Willard, of Vermont,) undertook to challenge comparison between the expenditures of the present time and those of 1861 or 1866 on the question of salaries, they were told that it was a small matter; but he would remind the Sunday-school scholars on the other side of the House that

"Little drops of water,
Little grains of sand,
Make the mighty ocean,
And the pleasant land."

Members on the other side would go home to their State conventions and their county conventions, and would present resolutions that it is the duty of all men to practice economy, and yet they would, (he would not say sneak,) between the tellers, vote down all propositions to rednce expenses, but when the yeas and nays were called they would not be there. He himself did not belong to any side of the House. [Laughter.] He was not particularly in affiliation with any one side or the other. He was an eclectic philosopher. [Laughter.] He picked out gentlemen like the Chairman and other distinguished members on both sides, and made his party with them. The people were doing the above thing. There was meaning in the late election in New-Hampshire, and there would be bigger meaning in the coming election in Connecticut, and more still among the grangers. He understood from distinguished Western men that hardly a member on either side of the House would ever come back. [General laughter.]

There being a difficulty in getting a quorum to vote, the committee rose after having got through only two and a half pages of the bill.

THE MILITARY ACADEMY.

Mr. MARSHALL, of Illinois, from the Appropriation Committee, reported the Military Academy Appropriation bill. Referred to the Committee of the Whole.

REDUCTION OF THE ARMY.

Mr. COBURN, of Indiana, Chairman of the Military Committee, reported a bill to provide for the gradual reduction of the army, which was made a special order for the first Tuesday in April.

The bill contemplates the reduction of the army by the ordinary causes of depletion to nine regiments of cavalry, four of artillery, and twenty of infantry.

DISABILITIES REMOVED.

On motion of Mr. WHITELY, of Georgia, a bill was passed removing the political disabilities of Thomas Hardeman, Jr., of Georgia.

LAUNCH OF THE CITY OF PEKING.

Mr. CONGER, of Michigan, a member of the Committee on Commerce, renewed the proposition that to-morrow be devoted to the debate on the Cheap Transportation bill. The members of his committee he said regarded it almost as part of their duty to attend the launch of the largest steam-ship ever built in the United States.

Mr. E. H. ROBERTS withdrew his objection, and unanimous consent was given.

The House then at 4:30 took a recess until 7:30, the evening session to be for debate on the Transportation bill.

EVENING SESSION.

In the evening session, the debate on the bill to regulate inter-State railroad commerce was opened by Mr. Scudder, of New-Jersey, who opposed the bill on legal, constitutional, and practical grounds. There were eleven members, including the Speaker pro tem.. (Mr. Sprague, of Ohio.)

The debate was continued by Messrs. Holman, of Indiana, and Cotton, of Iowa, in support of the bill in its general features.

THE PRODUCE EXCHANGE.

THE INTERNAL WATER TRAFFIC — STEAM-POWER ON CANALS AS A MOTOR.

Pursuant to call a meeting of members of the New-York Produce Exchange was held yesterday afternoon, Mr. Franklin Edson, President, in the chair. After the reading of the call authorizing the meeting, the President introduced Mr. Henry Hill, who had prepared an address relative to the introduction of steam on the canals. Mr. Hill in his remarks presented no especially new features upon the canal question, but in a very neat résumé of the early history of the Produce Exchange, an institution closely allied to canal measures, he led his hearers to a consideration of the wisdom of steam navigation upon the Erie Canal. In this connection Mr. Hill spoke of the responsibility of the New-York Produce Exchange in watching over the canals, and said that the apathy of the citizens of New-York was imperiling the prosperity of the City. New-York must work out its own salvation, give heed to the problem of cheap transportation and proper terminal facilities if they would keep up with Philadelphia, Baltimore, and even Montreal, in securing the great traffic from the West. In regard to the introduction of steam on the canals, Mr. Hill said that the fear of washing the banks had proved fallacious; that steam would eclipse horse-power, and that the expenses of canal transportation would be reduced twenty-six per cent. The canals should be given their required width and depth of water, and then with cheap transportation must come. Mr. Hill thought that in actual point of cheapness the railroads could never compete with the canals in transporting heavy freight. The speaker further claimed that new canals can be built every twenty miles, provided only that steam be the motive power used on both; and he could not see wherein the railroads could compete with the canals in cheap transportation, even giving the former the terminal facilities demanded. Mr. Hill urged the Exchange to stand by the canals, and to oppose the funding of the canal debt. Monopoly should be fought against strenuously, for if monopolists, by their selfish measures, prevent the raising of grain, the grain will not exist for transportation. Steam on the canals brings water transportation of grain down to the City of New-York from Buffalo to New-York. The speaker closed with an earnest appeal for the preservation and improvement of the Erie Canal.

Mr. J. M. Hannahs, of Chicago, was introduced, and read an extract from the Chicago *Tribune* of a recent date, giving a correspondence between Mr. Hannahs and Mr. F. A. Alberger, Chairman of the House Committee on the Canals, relative to the adoption of a system of towing on the canals. The points in the correspondence were not especially new or original, having been often discussed before.

Mr. A. E. Orr presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Whereas, The commercial interests of New-York are seriously threatened by the diversion of trade, and

Whereas, It is necessary for the protection of our chief arteries of trade, and the principal medium by which our commercial prestige is to be retained, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the dredging of the Erie Canal to its legal depth, and the removal of bench walls and other obstructions, and the improving of the lock gates, is a necessity for the full development of its capacity, and that the doubling of the remaining single locks be urged to a speedy completion in order to facilitate the introduction of steam as a motor at the earliest practicable moment.

Also, be it

Resolved, That a committee of five from this Exchange be appointed to proceed to Albany with power to represent the Exchange in a strenuous and persistent effort to influence legislation needful to the objects herein stated.

The President appointed as such committee, Messrs. L. J. N. Stark, Lewis Roberts, James H. Drake, L. Hazeltine, Jr., F. D. Moulton. The meeting then adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

REPUBLICAN GENERAL COMMITTEE.

A regular meeting of the Republican General Committee was held last evening, when the organization for the year was completed. Mr. Hugh Gardner presided. The following committees were then appointed for the ensuing year;

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

District.		District.	
1.	Michael W. Burns.	12.	John Hart.
2.	Morris Friedman.	13.	Charles S. Spencer.
3.	David G. McKilvay.	14.	Joseph C. Pinckney.
4.	Chas. M. Brackett.	15.	
5.	Stephen G. Cook.	16.	William Laimbeer.
6.		17.	Benjamin K. Phelps.
7.	Jacob H. Gunther.	18.	Horace N. Ruggles.
8.	Solon B. Smith.	19.	Richard H. Greene.
9.	Geo. B. Deane.	20.	George Opdyke.
10.	Jacob H. Patterson, Jr.	21.	Clarence Heidelberg.
11.	Thos. C. Acton.		

Finance Committee—Marshall B. Blake, Edmund Stevenson, J. Y. Vance, Louis J. Phillips, Frank E. Howe, J. R. Russell, Chas. A. Flammer.

Committee on Naturalization—Wm. R. Albertson, Robert B. Boyd, Constantine Nitsche, John R. Lanthier, Isaac H. Hull, David L. Ferrier, and Chas. Robinson.

Committee on Resolutions—Wm. A. Darling, Henry C. Robinson, John H. White, John D. Lawson, George W. Parker.

Committee on Printing—Pierre C. Van Wyck, Samuel G. Acton, and John A. Merk.

The committee then adjourned, but the Chairman subsequently, in an informal manner, stated that the draft of a set of resolutions on the death of Charles Sumner was prepared and was now under the consideration of the Committee on Resolutions. They will be presented at the next meeting.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

On Monday night a frightful calamity was averted by the merest accident. Thomas A. Morse and family, living in the vicinity of Cypress Hills, Long Island, retired at an early hour, leaving a fire burning in the stove on the basement floor. An hour or so later Mr. Morse perceived a strange odor permeating the house, and called the attention of his wife to the fact, but she had noticed nothing peculiar, and so the matter dropped. A little son of Mr. Morse, sleeping in another part of the house, a short time later caught the strange smell, and finding it was gas, and thinking something wrong, arose hastily and went to his father's room, and was surprised to find him breathing in a peculiar manner, and upon calling and shaking him and getting no response he became greatly frightened and ran to a neighboring house and alarmed the inmates. On arriving at the door it was almost impossible to enter, but making an effort they penetrated to the sleeping apartment of Mr. and Mrs. Morse and brought them into the open air, where they revived after some time. It is thought that the high wind which prevailed turned the damper, thus throwing the gas into the room.

METHODIST CONFERENCE.

THE PROCEEDINGS YESTERDAY.

THE QUESTION OF APPOINTING A GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT — REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION—MISCELLANEOUS.

The New-York Methodist Conference reassembled yesterday morning in the Graham Avenue Methodist Church, Brooklyn, Eastern District, Rev. J. J. Smith, D. D., presiding, and Rev. Mr. Woodward acting as Secretary. Rev. J. H. Robinson, of Paterson, N. J., was appointed a committee to fix the proper time for taking up the annual collection in the various churches. Messrs. Hanks, Painter, and Woodward were appointed a committee to draft resolutions on the death of Senator Sumner, and Messrs. Smith, Horpan, and Robinson were appointed to draft rules for the government of the next conference. Rev. Mr. Woodworth, at his own request, was left without an appointment for this year, and letters of a commendatory nature were granted him. Rev. Mr. Staples moved the adoption of the following preambls and resolutions, which were seconded by Rev. Mr. Robinson, and, after a brief discussion, were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The subject of creating the office of a General Superintendent in the Methodist Church is now being discussed in the *Methodist Recorder*, we, therefore, the members of the New-York Conference assembled, desire to express our opinion upon this important subject by adopting the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we regard our present system of centralizing our efforts in carrying forward the general work of the Church, through the general boards—that of Education, Publication, and the Missionary, and their corresponding agencies—as being in embryo all that is necessary to secure the full co-operation of churches in carrying on the general interests of the denomination.

Resolved, That we therefore request the next General Conference of our Church to confer upon the said boards and their agencies such executive and advisory powers in reference to the general interests of the Church as may be necessary to secure said result.

Resolved, Whereas the New Testament recognizes no higher grade of office or order than that of Pastors, (the apastolic office being temporary and confined to the lives of the apostles;) we therefore look with disfavor upon any proposition to create any order or office in the Church higher than that of New Testament Bishops, which are the Pastors of the local churches.

Resolved, That we deeply deplore the continued agitation of the subject of change in our ecclesiastical economy, which can but produce the most disastrous results in reference to the prosperity of our Church, in loosening denominational attachment, dampening the zeal of the most ardent members and friends of our beloved Zion, by impressing the public mind with the idea that we have lost confidence and satisfaction with our New Testament system of Church polity, and thereby prevent the intelligent, the stable, and worthy portion of society from uniting with our denomination.

The Chairman suggested the necessity of the Stationing Committee meeting at once, as the delegates had to leave at an early hour. The committee accordingly retired. A letter was received from Rev. E. Stockwell, whose name was stricken from the roll yesterday. It was dated on the 9th inst. from Booneville, Warwick County, Ind. He regretted he was not permitted to answer to his name at this Conference. After closing his labors in the month of September last in the Prairie Circuit, there seemed to him to be a call to the City of Evansville. He went there and found a great opening for an organization of the Methodist Church "with a little missionary money." On account of the money panic, however, no funds could be obtained, and he was, therefore, obliged to go to Booneville, where he has been holding protracted meetings, and he converted quite a large number of persons who were hardened sinners. He tels more like consecrating himself to the Lord than ever, and he desired to remain in the New-York Methodist Conference, as he was undecided where to locate. He asked to be left without an appointment, and concluded by requesting a traveling certificate. The consideration of the letter was postponed until the afternoon session, and the conference adjourned.

THE AFTERNOON SESSION.

At the afternoon session, Rev. Mr. Robinson, who had been appointed to fix a time for taking up the annual collections, reported that the collection for the superannuated preachers be taken up in June, that for the home missions in August, and the conference collection in September. The report was adopted.

Mr. Painter moved that a committee be appointed to obtain an incorporation for the Home Missionary Society connected with their church.

Mr. Robinson strongly opposed the motion, which, on a vote being taken was declared lost.

Dr. Cowen moved that the resolution passed by the last conference directing the incorporation of the Mission Society be expunged from the minutes.

Mr. Staples thought there was no necessity for such a motion. The action of the last was not binding on this conference.

Mr. Painter opposed the motion. If it was carried he would never again urge the claims of the Mission Society before any church.

Mr. Kendrick was sorry to hear such remarks from Mr. Painter, a father of the church, and he hoped he would take them back.

Mr. Painter—Never.

Mr. Robinson also disagreed with Mr. Painter.

After considerable discussion the motion was laid on the table.

The following report was read and adopted:

Your Committee on Education would respectfully report as follows:

Whereas, It is the experience of our denomination, as well as others, that in order to meet and repel even the attacks of modern infidelity, and keep pace with advancing literature and science, it is necessary that there should be an educated ministry, and

Whereas, Our Church has founded an institution of learning of high distinction in Adrian, Mich., with facilities for educating our young men and women not exceeded by any institution of the kind in the land, and,

Whereas, Its general agents, N. E. Swift and J. B. Walker, who are among us, bring encouraging reports concerning the success of their efforts, and more particularly in regard to the liquidating the debt now resting upon the institution, therefore,

Resolved, That individually and as a conference we pledge our good will and support both in patronage and finance, to Adrian College.

Resolved, That we will renew our efforts in endeavoring to assist worthy young men in their struggles to gain an education better qualifying them for the work of the ministry.

The report was adopted.

Messrs. Hunsart and Woodworth presented an address to the various churches urging increased interest in missionary matters.

Messrs. Hanks and Woodworth presented the following report on the death of Hon. Charles Sumner, which was adopted:

The committee appointed by this conference to give expression to our sentiments in view of the death of Hon. Charles Sumner, late Senator in Congress from Massachusetts, ask leave to report as follows:

Resolved, That while we recognize the hand of Providence in the removal by death of one of America's greatest sons, a scholar, an honest man, a faithful vindicator of the eternal principles of human rights, as he understood them, and a genuine American citizen, we feel that our Senate has lost a great leader, our literature a chief contributor, our Government a true patriot, and our best and purest society a stainless member.

The following communication was read:

BROOKLYN, March 10, 1874.

To the Annual Conference of the Methodist Church in session at the Graham Avenue Church, Brooklyn:

This is to certify that the society connected with the Grand Street Methodist Church have hereby recalled Brother Pearsall as our delegate to your body, and hereby authorize Brother John Snyder to act as our legal delegate.

WM. J. FOWLER, Secretary.

A motion was made and carried to lay the communication on the table.

Rev. Mr. Woodworth moved that the character of Brother Woodward be reconsidered.

President—What are the grounds of your motion?

Mr. Woodworth—The reason is the action which Mr. Woodward took at the meeting in the Grand Street Church last night, in the withdrawal of Mr. Pearsall from this conference.

Mr. Robinson—Mr. Woodward's character was passed before that meeting took place, and why should you call it in question now?

President—I think the conference has the right to reconsider the character of a brother.

Mr. Robinson—I appeal from your decision.

The Chairman's decision was, on motion, sustained.

Mr. Robinson—When you pass a man's character you cannot go back. He has done anything wrong in this question for investigation.

Mr. Woodworth said that Mr. Woodward went to the meeting last night and participated in deliberations of a revolutionary character, while a member of this conference.

Chairman—Are you ready for the question?

Mr. Robinson—No, Sir, we are not ready.

Mr. Staples said it was ridiculous to suppose that a man could be a member of two churches at the same time.

Mr. Woodward said he did not for a moment suppose he was doing wrong in going to a meeting when he believed he was a member of the Church Society.

Mr. Kendrick warmly defended the action of Mr. Woodward, after which the President put the motion to reconsider Mr. Woodward's character, which was carried.

Mr. Robinson strongly protested against the outrage, which he characterized as a violation of all personal rights.

President—The character of Brother Woodward now stands where it stood before you passed his character.

Mr. Robinson asked to have his protest entered against the action of the conference in this matter.

President—The name of Brother Woodward is now before the conference, and the brethren have the privilege of asking him such questions as they considered fit.

Mr. Painter—It is alleged that Mr. Woodward offered a resolution of a revolutionary character at the meeting referred to. Here it is, (reading the resolution passed at the Grand Street Church, and which is given above.) It is now for you to decide whether it is of a revolutionary nature.

Mr. Woodward emphatically denied that he proposed the resolution in question.

Mr. Hanks said it would be better for Brother Woodward to remain quiet. He participated in a church meeting while a member of this conference, and against that proceeding he (Mr. Hanks) protested.

Mr. Staples considered that Mr. Woodward acted as he did through mistake. He was, however, surprised to learn that Mr. Kendrick, who should have known better, had also participated in the proceedings of that meeting. While under charges he should have suspended all relations with the Grand Street Church.

Mr. Woodward regretted he made a mistake, and he was quite willing to conform to the rules.

Mr. Woodworth said his object in bringing the matter before them was to get an expression of opinion on the subject from the conference, as he considered that no member of the conference should take part in a church meeting. He offered a motion to the effect that Brother Woodward's character be passed, but that he be admonished by the Chair.

Brother Robinson offered an amendment that the "portion relating to admonition be stricken out. This excited some discussion, but was finally lost by a vote of 20 in the negative and 7 in the affirmative. The original motion was then put and carried, after which the Chairman delivered the admonition, remarking to Brother Woodward that he had acted with gross impropriety in attending Monday evening's meeting of the Grand Street Church, and asked him to refrain in the future from acting at the meetings of any society with which he may have no connection, and to rigidly adhere to the interests of religion. The conference then adjourned until 8 P. M.

THE EVENING SESSION.

There was a large attendance of the members of Graham Avenue Church and of visitors in general at the evening session of the Conference. Contrary to general expectation, however, no important business was transacted. On motion, the examination of characters was resumed, the following gentlemen unanimously passing:

A. H. Marshal, H. T. Wardell, and Mr. Hallenbeck. J. C. Jones was placed on the unstationing list.

Brother Kendrick asked if there were any specific charges preferred against him, and, if there were, he would like to be furnished with a copy of the same.

Chairman—Brother Kendrick, there are charges preferred against you, and you shall have a copy of them at the earliest convenience.

Brother Kendrick hoped that the investigation into his character would be thorough, and that a proper opportunity would be given him to defend himself. The President replied that the whole matter would be tried at the church where the alleged offenses are supposed to have transpired. Brother Robinson said that in that case it was rather unjust to Brother Kendrick to have the matter alluded to at the conference, for it not only debarred him from the rights of the conference, but it also prevented his receiving an appointment.

The Chairman replied that he could not help that, and if the brethren had devised another plan he would have said amen.

Three members of the conference asked to be excused from attending the session to-day, and their wishes were granted.

On motion, Brother Hanks was appointed as delegate to the Pittsburg Conference.

A motion was also offered and adopted appointing Rev. T. Y. White as delegate to the New-Jersey Conference held to-day.

A resolution was adopted to leave to the Chair to decide where the next session of the conference is to be held, and thanks were returned to the brethren of Dalesville, Penn., for their kind invitation to meet there. The Stationing Committee will probably report to-day.

THE MEMBERS OF GRAND STREET CHURCH AGAIN NOMINATE MR. KENDRICK AS PASTOR.

The members of the Society of the Grand Street Methodist Church, Brooklyn, of which Mr. Kendrick is Pastor, met on Monday evening, and had a stormy session. Mr. Pearsall, the church delegate to the conference, presided. He said that Mr. Kendrick's time as Pastor had expired, and that he had no further connection with the church, and he therefore was not entitled to be present at their meeting. He had no business there, and could not be said be a candid

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

SALES AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE—MARCH 17.

SALES BEFORE THE CALL—10 A. M.

1000 West. U. Tel.	78⅛	1000 Union Pacific			84⅝
300	do	78	100	do	85
100	do	78⅛	100	do	85⅜
1000	do	78⅝	100	do	85⅜
500	do	78⅝	100	do	85⅝
500	do	78⅝	100	Rock Island	106⅛
100	do	78⅝	100	do	106⅜
100	do	78⅝	100	do	106⅜
500	do	78	500	do	106⅛
100	do	78	100	Erie Railway	24
1300	do	78⅛	100	do	43⅝
1000	do	78⅛	100	do	43⅝
200	do	78⅛	100	do	43⅝
500	do	78⅛	100	do	43⅝
400	do	78⅛	400	At. & Pac. Pf.	77⅛
1000	do	78	100	do	77⅛
100	do	78	200	do	77⅛
100	do	78	300	C., C. & I. C.	32
100	do	78	300	do	32⅛
200	Pacific Mail	43⅝	500	do	31⅞
100	do	43⅝	500	do	31⅞
100	do	43⅝	100	do	31⅞
200	do	43⅝	100	do	31⅞
800	do	43⅝	100	do	32
100	do	43⅝	100	St. Paul	43⅝
400	do	43⅝	100	do	43⅝
25000	do	43⅝	100	do	43⅝
100	do	43⅝	1100	do	43⅝
400	Lake Shore	79⅛	100	do	43⅝
200	do	79⅛	100	do	43⅝
300	do	79⅛	100	do	43⅝
1800	do	79⅛	100	do	43⅝
200	do	79⅛	100	do	43⅝
300	do	79⅛	100	do	43⅝
600	do	79⅛	100	St. Paul Pref	65
1700	do	79⅛	300	North-western	55⅛
500	do	79⅛	700	do	55⅛
100	do	79⅛	500	do	54⅝
800	do	79⅛	400	do	54⅝
400	do	79⅛	400	do	54⅝
1000	do	79⅛	200	do	54⅝
500	do	79⅛	400	do	54⅝
300	do	79⅛	400	do	54⅝
500	do	79⅛	300	St. Paul Scrip	78
500	do	79⅛	1400	Tol. & Wab.	47⅝
200	N. Y. C. & H.	107⅛	100	do	47⅝
100	do	107⅛	200	do	47⅝
300	do	108	100	do	48
100	do	108	300	do	48
1400	do	101⅛	300	do	47⅝
1300	do	101⅛	300	do	47⅝
500	do	101⅛	100	do	47⅝
100	do	101⅛	100	do	47⅝
500	do	101⅛	300	do	47⅝
200	Ohio & Miss.	31¼	800	do	47⅝
100	do	31¼	200	do	47⅝

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—10:15 AND 11:30 A. M.

$10,800 U. S. 6s, '81,		$8,000 U.S.5-20 C.	67.119⅝
		1,000 do	12.119⅝
4,000 U.S.5-20 C.	62.117¼	2,000 U. S. 5-20 C.,	
500 U. S. 5-20 R.	'68	a.c.	119⅛
	'65, N	12.118⅝	2,000 U. S. 5-20 C.
2,000 do	a.c.	118⅝	'65 12.120¼
2,000 U. S. 5-20 C.		20,000 U.S.5-20R.	'68.119
	'65, N	a.c.	6.118⅝
500 do	a.c.	118⅝	16,000 do 12.119⅝
			3,000 U.S.6s,Cur. 12.116⅝

FIRST BOARD—10:30 A. M.

$1,000 Tenn. 6s, new.	90⅛	100 N.Y.C.&H.R.c.b.	3.101⅝
2,000 Mo. 6s	94	400 do	101⅛
1,000 Buff. & E. new.	97½	200 do	101⅝
3,000 E. Con. C.	97	do	3.101⅛
3,000 Union Pac. 1st	84½	100 do	3.101⅝
10,000 Un. P. 10s, In.	70⅜	10 Mor. & Essex	92
1,000 do	70⅜	40 do	b. c. 92
2,000 U. P. La. G.	82⅜	100 Union Pac.	b. c. 34⅛
1,000 C. & N.W.Con.	93	10 do	34⅛
5,000 C. & N.W. Con.		200 do	34⅛
Coup.Gold B.	85¾	600 do	34⅝
1,000 C. & N.W.	94½	200 do	c. 34⅝
2,000 Tol. & W. 1st	85¼	100 do	3.34⅝
3,000 C.C. & I. O.	68⅜	500 do	b3. 34⅝
5,000 Mor. & Essex	87	100 Han. & St. Jo.	31¼
5,000 do & Hud.	101⅛	100 Han. & St. Jo. Pf.	39½
100 N. Y. C. & Hud.	101⅛	200 do	39¾
200 do	101⅜	200 do	39¾
100 do	3.101⅝	100 C. & N.W. Pf.	b. c. 72⅝

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—2:15 P. M.

$10,000 U. S. 5-20 R.,		$2,000 U.S.5-20R.'67.	119
	'62	117⅜	3,000 do '68.	119⅝
3,000	do	117⅝	12,000 U.S.5-20R.'68.	119⅝
2,000 U.S.5-20C.	'64.	119¼	10,000 U. S. 10-40 C.	114
29,000 U. S. 5-20 C.,			5,000 U. S. 10-40 R.	114
	'65, N	118⅝	5,000 U. S. 6s Cur.	116⅝
9,000 U.S.5-20C.	'67.	119⅝	15,000 do	116⅝

SECOND BOARD—1 P. M.

$2,000 N. Y. St. 7s, B.		200 Erie Railway	b. c. 43⅛
	b. C.	107⅛	1000 Harlem	b. c. 131⅜
2,000 Un. Pac. 1st.		84⅛	100 do	133
13,000 do		84⅜	200 do	132⅝
3,000 Mich. Cen. 7s.		99¾	700 Un. Pac.	b. c. 34⅜
3,000 N. J. C. con.		102	100 do	34⅜
1,000 D. & H. Can.		84.104	900 L. S. & M. So.	b. c. 70⅜
4,000 Tol. & Wab.	1st.	85	100 do	70⅜
			1600 do	c. 70⅜
1,000 D., L. & W. Con.		104¼	1400 do	70¼
143 Fourth Nat.		105	200 do	70¼
500 Pacific Mail		43⅝	1000 do	70¼
100 Amer. Ex. Bank		111½	600 C., M. & St. P.	b. c. 83⅛
500 Quicksilver		32	100 do	83⅛
400	do	32⅛	400 do	83⅛
100 Mar. L. & M'g Co.		75	100 do	83⅛
300 Union M'g Co. of			50 C. N. & St. P.	b. c. 84⅜
	Trust	95	300 Mich. Cen.	87
25 At. & Pac.	Tel.	b. c. 11	900 Fla. R. R.	b. c. 116
300 West. U. Tel.	b. c.	78⅛	300 do	43⅝
600	do	78⅛	300 do	43⅝
200	do	78⅛	100 do	43⅝
2000	do	78⅛	100 do	43⅝
500	do	78⅛	100 do	43⅝
100	do	78⅛	100 do	43⅝
100	do	78⅛	100 do	43⅝
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AMUSEMENTS THIS EVENING.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—Il Trovatore, (Italian Opera) Mme. Christine Nilsson, Miss A. L. Cary, Signors Campanini and Del Puente.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—The Rivals—Mr. John Gilbert, Mr. John Brougham, Miss Jeffreys-Lewis, Miss Dora Goldthwaite.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.—The Four Lovers and The Conscript—The Martinetti Family.

LYCEUM THEATRE.—La Fille de Madame Angot, (Opera Bouffe)—Mme. Marie Aimée.

FIFTH AVENUE THEATRE.—Charity—Mr. Charles Fisher, Mr. Frank Hardenberg, Miss Ada Dyas.

UNION SQUARE THEATRE.—Led Astray—Miss Rose Eytinge, Mr. Stuart Robson.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.—The Colleen Bawn—Mr. Dion Boucicault.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.—Vaudeville and Novelty Entertainment.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.—Davy Crockett—Mr. Frank Mayo, Miss Rosa Rand.

THE COLOSSEUM.—Cyclorama of Paris by Moonlight—Music, &c.—Afternoon and evening.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.—Dramatic Performance afternoon and evening. Curiosities.

BRYANT'S MINSTRELS.—Farces, Singing, Comicalities—Messrs. Unsworth, N. Seymour, and others.

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As Mr. Claflin has had the presumption to express his opinion of the Revenue laws as affecting mercantile operations, the *Evening Post* proceeds to "squelch" him in its usual courteous fashion. The *Post* is evidently much amazed to find that Mr. Claflin has the audacity to express any opinion whatever—who is he that he should lift up his voice? "The public," it says, "have no means of judging whether Mr. Claflin is competent to speak on this question." No—all that the public know about Mr. Claflin is that he is the head of one of the largest firms in this City, a man of unstained character, belonging to a firm whose operations extend to every part of the United States. How should he know so much about a practical commercial question as an eccentric *doctrinaire*? Then the *Post*—so courteous always!—proceeds to make one of its favorite insinuations against Mr. Claflin. "Perhaps Mr. Claflin," it says, "may be in such a position as to be anxious to say what will be most pleasing to the Custom-house authorities. The law in respect to the seizure of books and papers is still in full force," &c., &c. What all this means is that Mr. Claflin has been committing frauds, and expects to get them covered up by defending the Custom-house. Will any decent merchant say that this base and cowardly system of calumniation is calculated to bring about reforms in the Revenue laws? Is it necessary, in order to carry out the *Post's* craze about free trade, to slander every honest merchant in the City of New-York?

To the general public, bewildered by this controversy, two things will be clear: First, that the merchants are by no means agreed as to what reforms are required, or whether any are needed; secondly, that a few firms which have suffered through their own negligence or misconduct are making a great mistake in inciting the *Post* and other papers to defame other firms which have dealt honestly toward the Government and the public. Because one firm has acknowledged that it committed frauds, it is assumed that all other firms must have committed the same or similar frauds—a rather dangerous process of reasoning. We are in favor of the utmost liberality in the treatment of merchants by the Custom-house, and of the abolition of the "special agent" system, for it is evident that almost all the complaints of which we have heard arise from the proceedings of the special agents. But we shall not be able to secure this or any other change while the *Post* and other equally foolish journals wantonly rouse opposition in Congress by mixing up free trade with this question, and excite ill-feeling in New-York by dastardly slanders on eminent firms.

We are sorry to learn from Mr. Van Nort's mouthpiece in this City that he is busily engaged in lobbying at Albany—we presume with "skilled talent" to do the bribing business in the background. It seems to be [illegible]

Mr. Van Nort's proper place is in New-York, and that his business is with the Department of Public Works, not with corrupting members of the Legislature. We may further suggest to him in a friendly way that the advocacy of the *Commercial* is doing him no good—that it makes him many enemies, casts suspicion on his general conduct, and is not in any respect worth the price he pays for it, as he will find some day to his cost. If he *must* employ professional lobbyists, he should at least have the decency to keep himself and his money-bags out of sight at Albany.

Without undertaking to "indorse" the sentiments of the speeches delivered in Congress by Mr. S. S. Cox, we must admit that he is proving the justice of what we have often urged—namely, that a funny man in a legislative body has his uses. Mr. Cox is not on our side of the House, and sometimes we are inclined to wish that he were. His "moth" speech was a piece of true humor, and he deserves the credit of having done much to enliven the arid debates of the session. Yesterday he disported himself on the question of economy in national expenditures, and seems—so far as we can judge from the fragmentary report of his speech—to have said some very good things. Mr. Cox defines his present position in political parties as that of an "eclectic philosopher." He seems, at any rate, to be a very good-natured one, and invincible good nature will tell, even on antagonists. That is one of the golden secrets of public life which Mr. Cox has been shrewd enough to learn, and he is the one man in a thousand who *does* learn it. Did we not support Mr. Cox for Congress? Had he been cantankerous and "stuck up," like most Democrats and some Republicans, we should never have done that. Now Mr. Cox had better come over at once to the Republican Party, and live happily ever afterwards.

Nearly all yesterday afternoon the principal thoroughfares of the City were monopolized by the St. Patrick procession, to the great detriment of business and much public inconvenience. We admit that the St. Patrick processionists have as much right to the exclusive use of the streets as anybody else, but we are not prepared to admit that anybody has that right. Processions became such a nuisance in the City that the Legislature made a law authorizing the Police Commissioners to regulate them, but we do not find that the power thus conferred is exercised when public convenience most requires that it should be. Had the procession of yesterday been kept above Canal street and off the railroad tracks, the public would not have been disturbed, and no wrong would have been done to those participating in the display. The Police Commissioners had the power under the law to make and enforce an order to this effect. That they did not do so is evidence to our citizens that they prefer to please a class rather than serve the general public.

Mayor Havemeyer has addressed to the Governor a protest against the Riverside Avenue bill, which is characterized by a degree of moderation and closeness of reasoning rather unusual in the productions of the Chief Magistrate of this City. The objections taken by the Mayor to the provisions of this bill are that it not only transfers to a department overburdened with work the power of constructing twenty-five miles of new streets bordering on the public parks, but that it allows this work to be done without the salutary check of the contract system instituted by the charter. To re-establish "the old Ring powers and the old Ring system of doing public works" is a reproach which no party can safely incur, and we trust the Republican majority in the Senate will not make it necessary to appeal to the Governor to save the party from the stigma of such legislation.

Every year an effort is made in the Legislature to exempt bonds and mortgages from taxation, and every year it ends in failure owing to the opposition of the country members. We are not surprised, therefore, that the Senate Judiciary Committee have decided to report against the bill this year, nor are we disposed to censure their action very severely, for it is reasonably certain that if favorably reported, the bill would have been defeated in both the Senate and Assembly. The time will soon arrive when this question must be made an issue in the election of members of the Legislature throughout the State, and we are quite sure that when this is done the measure will succeed. The argument is all on the side of exemption, and when fairly placed before the people, they will decide in its favor. But until this is done, it is a waste of time to attempt to force the bill through the Legislature.

Rapid transit appears to make some little progress at Albany, for the Senate Railroad Committee have decided to report in favor of the bill extending the time for building the Gilbert Elevated Road. No harm can come from this measure, and it should be passed. The proprietors of this enterprise promise to complete it without asking any further legislation, and to put their own capital in it. They should be afforded the opportunity to redeem their promises, and we hope it will be given them by the Legislature. The committee, it is said, have decided to report in favor of the Harlem Railroad scheme, which, of course, is that of Mr. Vanderbilt. Let the Legislature bear in mind that what the City wants is not charters, but a road, and it will not have much difficulty in reaching a satisfactory conclusion.

The Commissioners of Emigration yesterday justified all we have said about them by dismissing employes whose salaries amount to $18,048 in the aggregate. They have thus shown that they have had a larger force than was necessary, and that it was possible to economize in the matter of salaries. They should employ their time in making additional efforts in this direction, instead of seeking an increase in head-money from the Legislature.

Some facts of interest to New-York merchants will be found in the abstract of the Chamber of Commerce statistics published this morning. These statistics embrace the foreign commerce of this port, compared with that of all other ports in the country, and they convey some hints to which it is time for New-York to pay heed. For instance, the [illegible] of the foreign commerce of the country in 1871 was $140,500,000, of which New-York had all but $1,349,520. In 1872, the increase was about $80,000,000, of which New-York had one-half. In 1873, the increase was $12,850,000, of which New-York had only forty-one per cent. The causes for this showing, which is certainly a bad one, are pretty familiar to our merchants, and it is their own risk if they do not undertake to remove them.

SECTIONAL FINANCE.

The Senate yesterday resumed the discussion on finance. The particular hook on which this long debate, once regarded as at an end, has been again hung, is a very harmless bill from the Finance Committee, allowing the Controller of the Currency to distribute certain amounts of national bank notes to the West, without waiting for a corresponding amount to be returned from the East. This measure, which is exactly in the line of the complaints made by some of the Western Senators, does not satisfy them. They insist, instead, on one of two things: First, and above everything else, if they can get it, an additional issue of greenbacks; second, as an alternative to the first, a system of free banking; and, in any case, a legalization of the issue of the entire $44,000,000 reserve, and a permanent volume of greenbacks equal to $400,000,000. We have already frequently pointed out that a properly-guarded system of free banking is likely to prove one of the safest and wisest measures to get us out of our present trouble; but to make it safe Congress must provide for the gradual payment of the legal-tender notes of the Government, because with these outstanding and liable to be increased at will, and forming the basis of banking, *no* system that human wit can devise could escape serious and possibly hopeless disaster.

This, however, is not the view of those who claim, with doubtful authority, to speak for the West. They demand more paper money, preferring Government notes, and reckless as to the volume or the redeemability of what they may get. Mr. Ferry, of Michigan, an estimable gentleman, with very muddled ideas on finance, produced yesterday, in support of this demand, a very remarkable petition. He described it as signed by 400 leading business men of this City, "some of them using millions of money in their business," and he declared that these gentlemen "protested against the efforts now being made to reduce the volume of the currency, and prayed that it might be increased, so that the business of the country may be safely carried on." We should like to know the names of 400 or of forty "leading business men" of this City who have petitioned Congress in favor of inflation. With entire respect to Senator Ferry, we do not believe they exist. The current of opinion among the active business men of this City is all the other way. It is in harmony with the opinion of Detroit, as shown by the petition presented by Mr. Ferry's colleague, Mr. Chandler, praying for a return to specie payments. Mr. Chandler said that this petition represented 95 per cent. of the business interests of Detroit. An equal percentage of the business men of New-York would be found on the same side.

Considering these facts, it seems very absurd—if nothing worse—for such men as Senator Logan to endeavor to give a sectional cast to the debate on this question. When he declares that the bankers and merchants of New-York "give a cold shoulder to the West;" that they are engaged in a scheme to make the South and West "work for them," and "take the wealth of their section to pay interest to them;" that they wish to "reduce the wages of farmers, mechanics, and working men to a mere pittance," and so on, he talks nonsense. The nonsense, in this case, will not hurt any one, because the population of the West is too intelligent to be deceived greatly by it, but it might be very mischievous, and is certainly unworthy of a Senator of the United States. It is noteworthy that this miserable stream of accusation and innuendo against the East was directed, not to an Eastern Senator, but in reply to Senator Schurz, a gentleman representing—and on this subject, so far as we can see, very justly representing—the State of Missouri, one of the most powerful and progressive States of the West. In this debate, on the same side with the best men of the East, are representatives in the Senate of Wisconsin, Iowa, Michigan, Ohio, California and Nevada, while most of the ideas of the inflationists are furnished, beyond a doubt, by Ben. Butler, of Massachusetts, and Mr. Kelley, of Pennsylvania. These facts show how utterly ridiculous the cry against the East is in this connection. It is, so far as we are able to judge, the cry of the demagogue. Some few men may think it is just, but it is difficult to believe that men of the natural shrewdness of Senator Logan can fail to see how shallow it is, and how opposed to the facts and to common sense.

THE PHELPS-DODGE CASE.

The friends of Mr. Dodge have published what, they say, is a complete report of the address made by him before the Ways and Means Committee, and the publication deserves sincere and candid consideration. It is the first authentic exposition of their affair with the Custom-house made by the firm. A suit, it appears, was actually begun in court by District Attorney Noah Davis, for $1,000,000, which was compromised for $271,000. The total value of the invoices presented by the firm within the previous five years, and charged with guilty falsehood, was $1,750,000; the total amount of items therein actually undervalued was $271,017 38; the undervaluation on these items amounted to $6,558 75, and the total amount of duty withheld to $1,658 78. The undervaluation, therefore, in the faulty items, was about two and a half per cent., and if any other firm had purchased and imported similar goods, from the same place, costing the same price, and at the same dates, and invoiced them as the law required, it would have had to pay thereon $1,658 78 more than did this firm.

Mr. Dodge is not clear in his explanation how it happened that there was this difference between the seller's invoice and the Custom-house invoice, or, indeed, how there came to be two invoices. The merchandise was shipped to New-York, and the invoices made up, and Consular certificate attached, at Liverpool—but where was it purchased by the firm? In Wales we assume from what Mr. Dodge says; and why was not the invoice, as received by the firm from the seller, certified by the American Consul at Wales, and presented at the Custom-house? The tin was purchased, a prearranged price paid, and, of course, a bill, or invoice, taken. *That* invoice, and no other, the law clearly says, shall be taken to the Consul in Wales, and Collector in New-York. But the firm made up another invoice in Liverpool, which Mr. Dodge now admits was false, because it did not give the cost price of the tin in Wales when bought, but the firm's appreciation of its market value, in Liverpool, when shipped. The statute of 1863 is unmistakeable that *purchased* goods shall be invoiced at actual cost, and goods not purchased (but manufactured and shipped by the manufacturer) shall be invoiced at the real market value, which, at the same time and place, ought to be the cost price if purchased. The firm, we repeat, purchased, but did not give in the invoices the cost price actually paid, but instead, their idea of market price at another time and place. The difficulty in which the firm and the Consul at Liverpool found themselves by not following the law in this particular is set forth by Mr. Dodge:

"Now, when my partner in Liverpool went to Mr. Dudley, United States Consul, he said: 'Mr. Dudley, how can I take such an oath as this? Here is an invoice of goods that *cost* 30 *shillings*, and I have invoiced them *at* 36 *shillings*, to meet market values. If I invoice them at 30 shillings and export them to New-York we shall be liable there, if not to forfeiture, at least to have the price so advanced as to cover not simply the difference, but the penalty of undervaluing the goods. Now,' said he, 'I have added 6 shillings to the cost, and you ask me to swear that it is the absolute cost.' Mr. Dudley said: 'Mr. James, all we mean by that is that it is correct, and that it is the fair market value.' Then the invoice comes to New-York, and I go to the Custom-house and am presented with the oath 'that the invoice which I have now brought contains a just and faithful account of the actual cost of such goods, wares, and merchandise.' I say to the Deputy Collector, 'We have added in Liverpool 6 shillings to the price of these goods to make market value, and since they came here such has been the rapidity of the advance of value in Liverpool (and which we have known by telegraph) that we have added 2 shillings more to the value, making it 38 shillings; and now you want me to swear that that is the actual cost of these goods?' 'Oh, Mr. Dodge,' said he, 'you simply swear that it is correct.'

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The committee will notice this breach in the top of the paper, (exhibiting it to the committee,) where the clerk, who subsequently became the informer, tore it off the invoice book. In this particular invoice, to which the press copy refers, there are ten boxes 6d. below cost; fifteen boxes 1s. 6d. below cost—the whole making a difference of four pounds odd, which will make a difference in duty of about $5."

We believe we do perfect justice to Mr. Dodge in saying that, in this way, came two invoices, and the undervaluation, in five years, of $6,558 75, and the saving on those items of $1,658 78 as duties. His defense is intricacy of the Invoice law, haste of shipment and entry, blunders of clerks, and an offset in *excessive* amounts paid at other times from similar causes.

We have read the first section of the law of 1863, and see no intricacy in it. The system may be bad, but it is clearly stated. We think Mr. Dodge would not deny that he understood it the first time he read it. Why, then, was it not obeyed? If he had presented an invoice which set forth precisely all he paid to the seller for the tin, there could have been no falsehood in the invoice, and no guilty intention. Why did his firm make out another invoice in Liverpool? He will probably reply that it was done to facilitate book-keeping in Liverpool, which was the depot of the firm, although probably the tin was shipped direct from Wales to New-York. But that is not the system of the *law*. An importer is forbidden to change or tamper with an invoice. It is as sacred a thing as the national currency. The law says it shall be taken, in triplicate, to the Consul *nearest the place of purchase*, and stamped by him, and only one given to the importer. The other two are retained by the Government. In the case of Mr. Dodge, the Custom-house wanted the invoice from the seller in Wales, and not one from the firm in Liverpool.

The difference between the system adopted by Mr. Dodge and the system required by the law is apparent, and it is now for the Committee of Ways and Means to decide whether it will adopt the former or will adhere to the latter. Will it permit merchants to withhold the invoices which they obtain from sellers, and make up in Europe, in the counting-houses of the firm, other invoices, to be presented at the Custom-house, which are not transcripts of the actual bill of sale?

Mr. Dodge in his statement explains that he was under a "terror" either of the law, or of the officers of the law, which induced him to offer and pay the large sum of money he did. And yet he says that when first sent for by Mr. Jayne, District Attorney Davis was in the room, and heard the conversation. The latter must have applied for the warrant of seizure of the books and papers. He began the suit for one million of dollars. He heard the explanation of Mr. Dodge. It does not appear anywhere that Mr. Dodge was alone with Mr. Jayne for a moment. If Mr. Davis believed that Mr. Dodge was acting under the influence of undue terror, it was the business of the former to have protected him, and we cannot understand why the latter did not apply for such protection.

We have read the provision of 1863 in respect to forfeiture, and it appears to us to be clearly there written that for presenting these invoices, admittedly false in a legal sense, the firm could not be punished unless it had, when making the entries, guilty knowledge that it was using forbidden means—to wit, false invoices. No one can read this statute without seeing that to accomplish a forfeiture under it, there must be an entry by the owner, consignee, or agent of the goods; the use by such person of the false papers forbidden therein; and, thirdly, guilty knowledge on the part of such person that the papers are false.

Whether the punishment inflicted by this law for the thing done by the firm is too severe, or whether any portion of the money paid should have been given to the informer, or Mr. Jayne, or any of the Custom-house officers, we do not now discuss. We have already said that, in our view, the law for the seizure of books and papers is unjust, and has been unjustly administered. We have commended the report of Secretary Richardson on this subject. What the public now needs is a clear and concise statement, by the Committee of Ways and Means of the exact offense committed by the firm of Mr. Dodge, the *system* under which it was committed, and whether such a system can be tolerated in future with safety to the revenue.

ART IN THE CAPITOL.

The rural patriot who goes to Washington to consult his member about his little bill, or the desired Consulate, or the promised Postmastership, naturally seeks a brief relief from the toils of legislation in admiring the various works of art which adorn the Capitol of his country. First, of course, he piously pauses before those wonderful paintings which depict so vividly the early sufferings and struggles of his ancestors, on the walls of the Rotunda. With these he is naturally more familiar and at home than with Greenough's "Roman Washington," or Crawford's "Grecian Red Men." That admirable device for popularizing art by engraving the masterpieces of Trumbull and Powell on the backs of the national bank notes has excited for those productions of genius in the public mind a widespread and generous enthusiasm. The prevalence of the insidious counterfeit has, indeed, won for them a minute and patient study which is not often accorded to more pretentious works of art, by more learned connoisseurs. There is, it must be confessed, discernible in this primitive, domestic sort of criticism, a deplorable tendency to rate the excellence of the Rotunda's treasures in proportion to the denomination of the bill which each happens to embellish. Even our rural patriot, whom we suppose to be supreme in statesmanship and taste—a Ruskin and a Butler at once—will find it hard to disabuse his mind of the impression that a $5 "Columbus" is not far beneath a $10 "De Soto," and a $50 "Embarkation of the Pilgrims" vastly superior to a $20 "Baptism of Pocahontas." Perhaps he is not far wrong; perhaps not until the crack of doom will impartial criticism be able to decide whether or not the "Columbus" of the Rotunda is twice as bad as its "De Soto," or ten times as bad as its "Pilgrims."

About that other patriotic masterpiece, which guards like a sort of pictorial dragon the approaches to the Senatorial Hesperides, and accounts, no doubt, for so much of the acerbity that occasionally characterizes Senatorial debates, there can be no such question. The touch of "time's defacing fingers" is sometimes a positive adornment. Even the worst of the paintings in the Rotunda is taking on something of the dignity which age and growing grimyness will lend to the worst of paintings. Moreover, the patriotic mind, apart from their agreeable associations with the patriotic pocket, regards them with an affection akin to that which a mother lavishes on a misshapen child. They are ugly, but they represent the first attempts of native art. There is something frank and genuine in their very badness which appeals to the beholder's sympathies, and wins a kindly toleration for defects which age and a generous fancy may soon transform into beauties. Perhaps to the patriot of the future who finds them entirely obscured, they may be as good as Raphaels or Rubenses at the very least.

But before the appalling newness of Mr. Powell's "Battle of Lake Erie," and Miss Vinnie Ream's "Lincoln," the most liberal patriotism pauses aghast. No friendly gloom drapes their uncompromising badness, no kindly touch of age softens their calm defiance of all known canons of taste. Even our rural critic in their presence is struck with a sudden sense of awe, and realizes for the first time, perhaps, the true terrors of death. And thereupon, if he is a sensible and a really patriotic critic, he will go off and urge his member to vote for the bill introduced the other day in the House, designating a committee of artists to confer with the Library Committee of Congress upon the future selection of painters or sculptors to aid in the further embellishment of the Capitol. The bill as introduced by Mr. Cox named five well-known artists, S. R. Gifford, Durand, Baker, Inness, and Eastman Johnson. We are not sure that it is not best to leave their selection to the artists themselves, and the committee, if meant to be a permanent one, should include one or more sculptors. But in some shape or other such a measure should be adopted. Our artists do not ask to make our laws; the best of legislators does not necessarily know anything about art. The moral is obvious.

There is so much that is really fine and elegant in the decorations of the Capitol as to arouse the solicitude of all persons of cultivated taste that they shall have no unworthy additions. The building itself is a stately and impressive pile of architecture, and its swelling dome closes nobly the long vista of Pennsylvania avenue. In its interior, much of the marble and bronze work is exceptionally fine, and, what is even better, distinctively national in its character. Nor is all the statuary of a piece with Miss Ream's melancholy pasquinade in stone, or Mr. Mills' prodigious bronze satires, or the allegorical enigmas of the Italian Persico, which guard the steps and give to the Washington school-boy a new insight into the construction of the passage *Persicos odi*. Crawford and Greenough are names of which Americans may well be proud, and though some of their noblest works are not where all Americans would be best pleased to see them, their genius is still worthily represented at the Capitol of the nation. Nor is there in the country to-day any lack of artistic talent in either branch of art to continue the work in creditable fashion. Our native school of landscape painting ranks deservedly high. Why should it not be represented in the illustration of characteristic American scenery at the Capitol? In statuary, Mr. Ward (whom we single out at the risk of being invidious, because his ripest achievements are familiar to our readers) has already done work which puts him in the front rank of American sculptors. There is no lack of talent to decorate the Capitol worthily, whenever selection shall be made according to artistic merit, and not in sole reference to political "influence."

RECEPTION HOSPITALS.

When the Board of Governors of the New-York Hospital closed the institution in Broadway, at the head of Pearl street, all the lower portion of the City was suddenly deprived of hospital accommodations. The action of the Governors received much undeserved censure at the time. A private charity had been meeting public needs for so many years that the public had come to believe that they were entitled to perpetual service from the New-York Hospital. Convenient in its situation, admirable in its appointments, and manned with a skilful medical staff, it met public requirements so fully that its loss was severely felt. To meet the need which the discontinuance of this hospital created, the Commissioners of Charities established the ambulance system, and the reception hospital, in Centre street. For several years all that portion of the City below Twenty-sixth street has been forced to depend upon these two agencies in all casualties and cases of sudden sickness requiring charitable assistance.

During these years it has been apparent that the City is greatly deficient in hospital accommodations where they are most required. The greater portion of the accidents occur in the business portions of the City below Fourteenth street, and the poor, who, in case of sickness, must have public relief, are crowded into the same area. An idea of the demands made upon the limited accommodations afforded can be obtained from the fact that the Park Hospital, in Centre street, which is the only reception hospital south of Bellevue, during the last year, received 3,500 cases, of which number 1,200 were casualties requiring skillful surgical attention. But this hospital has only thirty-one beds, and it is evident that in many cases patients had to be taken away to Bellevue or some other general hospital before they were able to bear the removal, in order to make room for new-comers. There is no doubt that many persons have died in consequence of these premature removals. The City should, long ago, have been provided with a sufficient number of small reception hospitals, where acute cases could be properly treated until they could be transferred with safety to Bellevue. That the City has nothing of the sort is a disgrace which should no longer be allowed to exist.

Some little of the relief which is so greatly needed will be afforded by the opening of a reception hospital in Sixteenth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, which has been determined on by the Board of Governors of the New-York Hospital. These gentlemen are entitled to the public thanks for the conclusion they have reached. The proposed institution is placed where it will be of essential public service, and we do not doubt that the Governors will make it in all respects a first-class hospital. This is all that can be asked of this corporation, but it is not by any means all that the City needs. There should be another west-side reception hospital further south, and two more upon the east side. These additional hospitals should be provided by the Commissioners of Charities, and it can be done without any addition to the public burdens beyond the small amounts required for rents. If patients are treated outside of Bellevue, the medical staff and other expenses of that institution can be proportionately reduced. Aside from the prompt treatment which this multiplication of reception hospitals would secure, there is another and even more conclusive reason for their establishment. Medical science has decisively declared against large hospitals as dangerous to human life. The records of Bellevue are alone sufficient to prove that the plan of large hospitals should be abandoned by all civilized communities. The fatality attending casualty cases in that vast caravansary of wretchedness has been frequently noticed as alarming and disgraceful.

The only way to save life is to multiply the small hospitals, where acute cases can be finally treated. Bellevue will thus be relieved, and the unfortunates suddenly needing medical or surgical care need not be jolted over miles of rough streets before receiving treatment. We hope that a matter of this kind, which involves the good name of the City, will no longer be neglected by the authorities. The recent action of the Governors of the New-York Hospital should incite the Commissioners of Charities to add to the means for caring for the sick and injured, which are to be provided by this corporation.

AMUSEMENTS.

LAST NIGHT'S CONCERT.

The concert given at the Academy of Music last evening was attended by an overflowing audience. Its proceeds accrued to the building fund of the Young Ladies' Christian Association, and must have almost reached $8,000. The entertainment was very interesting, although most of the performances were familiar. Mme. Nilsson's recital of "Voi che sapete" was enthusiastically applauded, and so was the "Ave Maria," to which M. Wieniawski, as some days ago, supplied the prelude and accompaniment. Mme. Nilsson's highly-expressive and *nuancé* style in the duet from Thomas' "Hamlet," in which, be it noted, she had the co-operation of M. Maurel, pleased us most, recalling, as it did, her most poetic and vitalizing creation. M. Maurel contributed the florid aria from "Le Siège de Corinthe" and "Les Rameaux," [illegible] two numbers we shall not soon hear interpreted with like beauty of tone and *maestria* of delivery. M. Capoul rendered Beethoven's "Adelaide," and was especially happy in his romance from "Mignon," which he sings charmingly. M. Wieniawski played Rubinstein's "Adagio" and his own "Tarantelle," Miss Adelaide Phillips sang "Una voce poco fa," and Mr. Richard Hoffman executed with considerable elegance of phrasing and a very precise yet dainty touch the andante and finale of Mendelssohn's G minor concerto. The band was under Mr. Behrens. The encores, we have to add, were countless, and the tributes of flowers astonishingly profuse, even for New-York.

THE ITALIAN OPERA.

"Il Trovatore," with Mme. Nilsson, is to be done at the Academy of Music this evening. Verdi's effective work is not likely to be represented again this season; as Signor Campanini is almost re-established in health, and as the representation, consequently, promises to leave little room for fault-finding, the announcement should not be overlooked.

MISS BRUSH'S CONCERT.

Miss Brush, who goes to Europe Saturday to prosecute, we learn, her studies as a songstress, gives a concert at Steinway Hall this evening. The lady's friends will doubtless respond liberally to her invitation, and, for the public, the names of Messrs. Maurel, Wieniawski, and Mills ought to prove a strong magnet.

TO-MORROW'S THOMAS REHEARSAL.

We have to mention that the public rehearsal for Mr. Thomas' approaching Symphony Concert at Steinway Hall, will be commenced to-morrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

FOX'S BROADWAY THEATRE.

Mr. George L. Fox, the Grimaldi of the present age, has closed his business arrangements with Messrs. John A. Duff and Augustin Daly, his "final" performance under their joint management having taken place at the Grand Opera-house on Saturday day evening last. Mr. Fox has secured the Broadway Theatre, which will hereafter be known as "Geo. L. Fox's Broadway Theatre." He will be assisted in the management by those popular and well-known gentlemen Mr. George H. Tyler, Acting Manager, and Mr. M. S. Sutton, Treasurer, who thoroughly understand the art of catering to the public's taste in their different spheres of the amusement world. Mr. Fox will be assisted by a [illegible]

by Mr. C. K. Fox, the well-known Pantomimist. He will also introduce to public favor a superb corps of European and American specialty artists. We are assured that the entertainment will be the most refined, mirth-provoking, novel and sensational ever yet offered. The opening bill will be the production of Geo. L. Fox's original edition of "H. D.," entitled "Humpty Dumpty at Home."

THE "SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL" AT THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

To-morrow afternoon the performance of the "School for Scandal" will take place at the Academy of Music, for the benefit of the poor of this City. We believe that every reserved seat in the house has been secured, but there will, doubtless, be room for that section of the "general public" which postpones the purchase of tickets till the last moment. A crowded house is sure to be assembled.

Sheridan's comedy of the "School for Scandal" was first performed at Drury Lane Theatre on the 8th of March, 1777, with the following cast:

Sir Peter Teazle.....Mr. King
Charles Surface.....Mr. Smith
Joseph Surface.....Mr. Palmer
Sir Oliver Surface.....Mr. Yates
Crabtree.....Mr. Parsons
Sir Benjamin Backbite.....Mr. Dodd
Moses.....Mr. Baddeley
Trip.....Mr. Lamash
Snake.....Mr. Packer
Rowley.....Mr. J. Aiken
Careless.....Mr. Farren
Sir Harry Bumper.....Mr. Gawdry
Lady Teazle.....Mrs. Abingdon
Mrs. Candour.....Miss Pope
Lady Sneerwell.....Miss Sherry
Maria.....Miss P. Hopkins

The following prologue, written by Mr. Garrick, was delivered by Mr. King, who played *Sir Peter Teazle*:

"A School for Scandal! Tell me, I beseech you,
Needs there a school this modish art to teach you?
No need of lessons now, the knowing think;
We might as well be taught to eat and drink.
Caused by a dearth of scandal, should the vapors
Distress our fair ones—let them read the papers;
Their powerful mixtures such disorders hit—
Crave what they will, there's *quantum sufficit*.
Lord! cries my Lady Wormwood, (who loves tattle,
And puts such salt and pepper in her prattle,)
Just risen at noon, all night at cards, when threshing
Strong tea and scandal. Bless me, how refreshing!
'Give me the papers, Tisp—how bold and free
Last night Lord L. was caught with Lady D.,
For aching heads what charming salvolatile!
'If Mrs. B. will still continue flirting,
We hope she'll draw, or we'll undraw, the curtains.'
Fine satire, pox. In public all abuse it,
But, for ourselves, our praise we can't refuse it.
'Now, Tisp, read you—there, at that dash and star.'
'Yes, Ma'am: "A certain lord had best beware,
Who lives not twenty miles from Grosvenor square;
For should he Lady W. find willing—
'Wormwood is bitter.'" 'Oh, that's me—the villain!
Throw it behind the fire, and never more
Let that vile paper come within my door!"
Thus at our friends we laugh who feel the dart;
To reach our feelings we ourselves must smart.
Is our young bard so young—to think that he
Can stop the full spring-tide of calumny?
Knows he the world so little and its trade?
Alas! the Devil's sooner raised than laid.
So strong, so swift, the monster there's no gagging;
Cut Scandal's head off—still the tongue is wagging.
Proud of your smiles, once lavishly bestowed,
Again your young Don Quixote takes the road.
To Show his gratitude he draws his pen,
And seeks this hydra, Scandal, in his den,
From his fell gripe the frighted fair to save;
Though he should fall, the attempt must please the brave,
For your applause all perils he would thro';
He'll fight—that's, write—a cavalliero true,
Till every drop of blood—that's ink—is spilled for you."

Mrs. Abingdon, who played *Lady Teazle*, delivered the following epilogue, written by George Colman:

"I, who was late so volatile and gay,
Like a trade-wind, must now blow all one way,
Bend all my cares, my studies, and my vows,
To one old rusty weathercock—my spouse;
So wills our virtuous lord! the piebald hours
Of crying epilogues and laughing plays.
Old bachelors who marry smart young wives,
Learn from our play to regulate your lives!
Each bring his dear to town—all faults upon her,
London will prove the very source of honor;
Plung'd fairly in, like a cold bath it serves,
When principles relax, to brace the nerves.
Such is my case, and yet I must deplore
That the gay dream of dissipation's o'er,
And say, ye fair, was ever lively wife
Born with a genius for the highest life,
Like me, untimely blasted in her bloom—
Like me, condemned to such a dismal doom!
Save money—when I just knew how to *waste* it,
Leave London—just as I began to *taste* it!
Must I, then, watch the early-crowing cock?
The melancholy ticking of a clock?
In the lone rustic hall forever pounded,
With dogs, cats, rats, and squalling brats surrounded?
With humble curates can I now retire,
(While good Sir Peter boozes with the Squire,)
And at backgammon mortify my soul,
That pants for loo, or flutters at a vole?
Seven's the main—dear sound!—that must expire,
Lost at hot cockles round a Christmas fire!
The transient hum of fashion too soon spent—
Farewell the tranquil mind, farewell content!
Farewell the plumed head, the cushions *stir*,
That takes the cushion from its proper seat;
The spirit-stirring drums—card drums, I mean,
Spadille, odd trick, pam, basto, king, and queen;
And you, ye knockers, that with brazen throats
The welcome visitor's approach denotes.
Farewell all quality of high renown—
Pride, pomp, and circumstance of glorious tours—
Farewell! Your revels I partake no more,
And *Lady Teazle's* occupation's o'er.'
All this I told our bard. He smiled, and said 'twas clear
I ought to play deep tragedy next year.
Meanwhile he drew wise morals from his play,
And in these solemn periods stalked away:
'Blest were the fair, like you her faults who stop,
And closed her follies when the curtain drops!
No more in vice or error to engage.
Or play the fool at large on life's great stage.'"

LAUNCH OF A CUNARD LINER.

A new steam-ship, the largest which has yet been constructed for the Cunard Line, was launched on March 4 from the Clyde ship-building yard of Messrs. J. & G. Thomson. The ceremony of naming the vessel the Bothnia was performed by Miss Arbuthnot. The Bothnia is upward of 4,500 tons burden, and of the following dimensions: Length over all, 455 feet; breadth of beam, 42 feet 6 inches; depth, 36 feet. Accommodation is provided for 300 first-class and

CHARLES SUMNER.

SOME REMINISCENCES OF THE DECEASED STATESMAN.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, March 17, 1874.

The sad event about which we have all been talking and thinking for nearly a week past is just the theme which I find it most difficult to write upon. At first I was stunned, mentally paralyzed; and since the realization of our loss has gained upon me it brings with it a bewildering throng of recollections and associations, some dating back nearly a quarter of a century. With the memory of my great friend (can it be that he is already only a memory?) come certain further off, pale and uncertain presences—the friends who were about him when I knew him first—Hawthorne, with his noble, sensitive face, his deep-set, furtive, melancholy eyes; Starr King, radiant with genius and princely in his perfect humanity; that beautiful wife of his poet-friend, she whose sweet, sad voice was prophetic of her martyr-like fate; that scholarly brother, so like him in person, in voice, in love of books and art; and that illustrious scientist, beloved and revered alike upon two hemispheres, that sweet, strong, childlike and grand human soul we knew as Louis Agassiz. These and many more choice spirits whose lives have mingled with or touched on his, come before me and I am inexpressibly comforted by the thought of the goodly company he has been called to rejoin.

I first met Mr. Sumner in Boston, in the Summer of 1850. He was then in the fullness of his manly vigor, in the flower of his genius and fame. He had a manner somewhat stately and studied, but gracious, and he looked singularly strong and happy and triumphant. He had the air of a hard student, but of one who took intense delight in his labor. Out of the abundance of his heart, his mouth always would speak, earnestly, eloquently, to the first listener. Sometimes he betrayed a naïve unconsciousness of that listener's utter incapacity to comprehend theme or argument. I will venture to say he has cast away more pearls than any man living. I first met Mr. Wendell Phillips that Summer, received from him some pleasant anecdotes of his great conservative friend—for comparatively, Mr. Sumner was then a conservative. I remember he told me that when they were at Harvard Mr. Sumner was by far the best student. When Fanny Kemble was playing in Boston, young Phillips and some fellow-students, fascinated by her beauty and genius, went into town night after night to see her act, and, however long the play, however late they were in returning to the college, they never failed to see a light in Charles Sumner's room, and to catch a glimpse of his grand head bending over his beloved books.

In the Autumn of that year I heard Mr. Sumner's great speech against the Fugitive Slave law. I had heard Mr. Webster's last melancholy effort in the Senate in defense of that odious measure—a defense which put legislation above nature, and constitutions above the God of Nature, and in this broader, freer, grander utterance I recognized a new political evangel—the gospel of a higher law. It had a clear, rousing, inspiring sound, like the stroke of a new liberty bell, "ringing out the false and ringing in the new." It is scarcely possible at this time, when no questions are agitated more grand and vital than those of finance, economy, executive appointments, and petty party corruptions, for one knowing nothing of that more tumultuous time to realize the effect of such a speech from such a man in such a crisis. It did not seem like an individual protest and arraignment—the enthusiasm, resolve, indignation, and judgment of a whole people sounded in it, full and strong and menacing, like the "voice of many waters."

I next met Mr. Sumner in Washington during his first Senatorial session. I was then in the family of Dr. Bailey, the brave and brilliant editor of the *National Era*, and at his charming house I saw much of Mr. Sumner and other prominent Free-soilers. To our surprise, somewhat, Mr. Sumner was remarkably well received by Southern Senators of refinement and culture. They respected his intellect and scholarship, his literary and social position at home and abroad, and I think there was something they respected even more in the quiet assurance of his manner, in the honesty of his strong, craggy face, in the breath of the north wind which his presence brought into that close old Senate chamber. It took a Southern statesman to see through a trickster, to spurn a truckler, to despise the dough-face he molded to any shape with his skillful fingers, and buffeted on the cheek at his own arrogant will. Mr. Sumner met their advances in a like gracious spirit, and for awhile the lamb of nonresistance lay down with the lion of chivalry. I often remarked during that Winter the new Senator from Massachusetts in deep and delightful converse with the French-Spanish Senator from Louisiana, Pierre Soulé. A stronger contrast in person, manner, and attire could scarcely be imagined between two elegant, accomplished gentlemen, and yet they were excellent friends. Once during that Winter Mr. Sumner said to a Boston acquaintance encountered in the Capitol: "Allow me to introduce to you *my good friend*, Judge Butler, of South Carolina."

But all these charms of pleasant social intercourse, wit, tact, and high-bred courtesy were "no let" to him when the time for decision and action came. He easily broke through the silken net-work, and strode into the arena a stalwart, full-armed gladiator. He struck right and left good, resounding, staggering blows, but it is a mistake to say that he "battled almost single-handed with the most reckless political power the world has ever known throughout many stormy years." In our tributes to him let us not be unjust to others. In the Senate at the time when he grappled so manfully with the slave power was William H. Seward—not so radical as Sumner, but always an anti-slavery man—not often storming, but always sapping and mining the enemy's works; Salmon P. Chase, never flinching from a hand-to-hand combat with any champion of Southern rights; John P. Hale, whose audacious worrying ever renewed attacks; Mr. Clay, so aptly characterized as "guerrilla wartare;" and sturdy Henry Wilson, who coolly stood his ground against menaces and under insults, who never blustered, and never backed down.

In the House, there was the old guard of liberty and popular rights. Father Giddings, Horace Mann, Thaddeus Stevens, and Ben Wade, and, a little later, Gerrit Smith. Among the younger men were Robert Rantoul, George W. Julian, and David Wilmot. Outside he had great aid and comfort in the *National Era*, so admirably edited by Dr. Bailey and John G. Whittier.

I met Mr. Sumner on his first visit to Philadelphia, after the attack made on him by Mr. Brooks. He was fearfully changed. His face was pallid and anxious, his manner nervous, and he walked like an old man—yet while we were tearful, or hotly indignant, he uttered no word of complaint or bitterness.

During the war I often saw Mr. Sumner, and always remarked that he seemed burdened with a mighty weight of care. He did not take life lightly in any respect. He always toiled terribly at everything he undertook. He was severely artistic and austerely conscientious in all his work. Of late years I have seen him countless times, in and out of the Senate, and yet regrets will come that I have not seen him oftener—regrets old as human love, as sorrow, as death. Whenever I have had a friend from abroad to whom I would show special courtesy, I have taken him or her to that beautiful house by the Arlington, and have always been sure of a welcome. Whatever his engagements or his ailments, if able to see his friends at all, he received them with a cordial grasp of the hand and that rare, sweet smile, which was like a burst of pure Spring sunshine on a sombre day. I was in that house on the morning of that sad Wednesday, lingering and waiting, with other friends, refusing to believe that there was "no hope." I saw there men I had heard called, and half believed to be, hardened and heartless politicians, weeping like women, and, despite the judgment of his enemies and detractors, I was doubly convinced that the man had a "genius to be loved."

Last evening I passed by that house so soon to be despoiled of its precious books and art-treasures. It was apparently unchanged—lighted up as cheerfully as before he went away; even the graceful transparencies in those pleasant study-windows remained as they were. The hall-door was open, and the gas-light shone full on the tall old-fashioned clock, which had ticked off for him so many hours of faithful toil—of weary wakefulness, of cruel pain, till that last moment of mental agony, when his great, pure, honest heart broke.

How plainly that old clock repeats to the souls who loved the master of the house:

> "Never here, forever there,
> Where all parting, pain and care,
> And death and time shall disappear;
> Forever there, but never here!
> The horologe of eternity
> Sayeth this incessantly,
> Forever—never—never, forever!"

You have had such full descriptions of the services at the Capitol that you do not need any from me. The most touching and impressive was, after all, the part borne by the colored people. They came in procession to the Rotunda, where the body lay in state. They encircled it in almost solid ranks. There is nothing on earth so sad as a sad black face. It is mourning and desolation personified. Their sorrow was evidently deep and tender, and well it might be, for they have met with a grievous loss. Mr. Sumner's friendship for the black race, was not a matter of sentiment, but of principle. It was a noble, impersonal championship. No blunder or folly on their part could anger him, no pertinacity could weary him, no seeming ingratitude could alienate him. Their champion has fallen, their tower of strength has given way; henceforth they must "work out their own salvation," and patiently build up their own defenses. The difficult but grand task is set them to show themselves worthy of the great advocate.

The face of Mr. Sumner in death bore more than the usual resemblance to Edmund Burke. With his gray hair resting like a glory on the pillow, he looked very noble, but so tired! We felt amid our grieving that all was well. God had given His beloved sleep.

Most of the floral offerings laid on the great Senator's coffin were from his colored friends. They lavished upon him the most rare and costly flowers. On his desk stood a bouquet of roses and azalias, white as the "white soul" Emerson so honored.

Saddest of all sights was his empty chair, draped in mourning, and yet an august presence seemed to hover about it. If, indeed, *he* were there able to see, and hear, and understand; if he looked around on the scene of many struggles and conflicts, on his enemies and on his friends, what poor things must have seemed to him all human strifes and animosities; how precious human love and loyalty; how great and sorrowful a thing life; how beautiful and blessed death!

HIGH ART IN HAIR-DRESSING.

Last night, says the London *Daily News* of March 3, a festival of hair-dressers was held in the small concert-room at Hanover Square Rooms. The object of the gathering was to afford certain members of the profession opportunity to exhibit their skill before the public and each other. To this end an oblong table had been arranged down the full length of the room. Sixteen toilet-glasses stood back to back upon the table, two of larger proportions flanking either end, while before each glass a chair was placed. On the tray of each looking-glass was a card, bearing one of the following announcements: Mr. Riley, ball dress; Mr. Percival, ball dress; Mr. Stiles, Grand Duchesse; Mr. De Lamant, Marie Antoinette; Mr. Sargent, ball dress; Mr. Stevens, pompadour; Mr. Rhodes, ball dress; Mr. Cooper, court dress; Mr. Comber, ball dress; Mr. Noakes, coiffure au soirée; Mr. Williams, Du Barri; Mr. Wilkie, Louis XIV.; Mr. Wells, fancy dress; Mr. Aitree, fancy dress; Mr. Rudolph, grand fantasie; Mr. Mason, Alexandra.

These evidences of preparation faced the visitor on entering at 8 o'clock, in accordance with the invitation on the tickets, and for three-quarters of an hour there was nothing else save the gathering company upon which the eye might rest. At 8:45 o'clock some sensation was created by the entrance of two or three gentlemen carrying small cases in their hands, which, being deposited beside the toilet-glasses and carefully opened, revealed an assortment of scissors, combs, and in some instances ringlets and pads. A towel, opened and spread over the back of the chair, further indicated a temporary proprietary interest in the section of the table. Punctuality was decidedly not a virtue pertaining to the exercise of hair-dressing—at least as exemplified last night—it being close upon 9:30 o'clock before the sixteen professors filed in, each leading a lady. The ladies' hair was at this stage uniformly plain, or at most crimped.

It would be obviously impossible to describe in detail the growth of the sixteen coiffures, as line upon line, pad upon pad, plait upon plait, they grew up under the dexterous fingers of the artist. A brief indication of the process in the case of the "Marie Antoinette" mystery may, however, be given. When the lady whose hair was operated upon sat down, her hair was powdered and tied in a simple knot behind. The artist first untied the knot and combed out the hair. Then he placed a thick pad over the front top of the head, and hid it beneath the told of the lady's hair. A pad, hooked on in somewhat similar manner behind, just over the nape of the neck, was hidden with hair in a similar manner. Three pads, rising upward, converging from the right ear, and three from the left, were added to either side of the central ridge, and thus was laid a foundation upon which the artist might proceed to work, free from the fear which must otherwise have haunted him, of inflicting pain by the vertical propulsion of the hair-pins. All the available hair which the head afforded being now used up in the binding round of the pads, the artist took up a long wisp of hair, which he fastened by the middle on the back of the head with a hair-pin. This was utilized, as the natural hair had been, to bind up the pads, and when it was exhibited the back of the hair presented a rising bank of little bags, the front being brushed sheer back from the forehead, high over the large pad first mentioned. Finally, the hair was profusely powdered, a wreath of roses looped with pearls thrown over the front, two ringlets were tagged on so as to fall over the forehead, and the "toilette à la Marie Antonette" was complete. Some people must have thought the lady would have looked better with the original simple dressing of her hair. But *de custibus non est disputandum* and the trade, of which there was a large gathering, expressed their approval by applause.

Three-quarters of an hour were occupied in bringing about the effect here feebly described, and the rest of the toilet being completed each hair-dresser offered his arm to his lady, and all walked in procession round the table, a fellow-artist, who obligingly officiated at the piano, playing an appropriate march. The promenade over, a gentleman took the chair and delivered a short address, in the course of which he urged upon the trade the desirability of forming "the nucleus of a hair-dressers' academy." Practice was, he said, all very well, but it was essentially necessary to perfection that "hair-dressers should have the opportunity of irrigating their minds," a sentiment the expression of which was heartily indorsed by the company.

ARTHUR ORTON IN PRISON.

Since his incarceration in Newgate, says the London *Daily Telegraph*, the "claimant" has done his best to keep up the delusion that he is the missing heir to the baronetcy and estates. He stoutly refuses to answer to the appellation of Orton or Castro, but willingly responds to the name of Tichborne. Otherwise he has accepted his fate, submitted to the prison regulations, and accommodated himself to his changed position with as much ease and tact as he had shown before in passing from the life of a bushranger to the rôle of a baronet. The prisoner seems to have been most impressed with his fall when he had to don the prison apparel. It was brought to him on Monday. His convict garb is a light-brown woolen suit with knee-breeches, ribbed worsted stockings, common leather shoes, and a cap with a little knob atop, without a peak. It is scarcely necessary to say that this suit required some extensive dimensions. The shirt-sleeves are thirty-seven inches round the muscle of the arm alone being twenty-seven inches, and the chest fifty-six inches. When it was shown to Orton as fathered a little but the feeling was only momentary, and he quietly regarded his usual self-possession. In this altered dress, close-shaven, and the hair cropped short, the huge bulk of the prisoner only remains to identify him with the defendant of the Queen's Bench. His manner since his confinement has been taciturn, but not sullen. He rises at 6, retires at 9, sleeps wonderfully well, and, on the whole, takes kindly to his skilly; but he rather fails in picking oakum. He does not succeed in getting through anything like the portion allotted to him; but the tar-rope is somewhat trying, and as yet his fingers are rather delicate for the work.

THE COMMERCE OF NEW-YORK.

The following tables are taken from the forthcoming annual report of the Chamber of Commerce, compiled by the Secretary:

Recapitulation of leading articles exceeding $3,000,000 in value, imported into and exported from the Port of New-York, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1873, compared with the aggregate of all the other ports of the United States for the same period.

FOREIGN IMPORTS.

Articles.	Port of New-York.	Aggregate of all other Ports of the United States
Sugar	$44,636,533	$33,358,250
Woolen manufactures	41,953,991	8,921,814
Cotton man factures	30,921,475	4,379,949
Silk manufactures, dress and piece goods	27,727,373	2,162,099
Coffee	24,408,685	19,640,986
Tea	18,586,946	5,879,234
Flax manufactures	17,140,610	3,267,772
Iron and steel manufactures	13,349,456	13,609,015
Hides and skins, other than furs	11,539,698	4,715,793
Leather and manufactures	9,658,431	678,692
Tin in plates	9,139,227	6,854,413
Wool	8,874,743	11,559,195
Tobacco and manufactures	8,542,087	1,419,636
Gold and silver bullion and gold and silver coin	7,611,934	13,869,003
Fruits of all kinds, including nuts	7,148,944	2,594,518
India rubber and gutta-percha	6,533,946	366,604
Wines, spirits, and cordials	6,109,821	3,157,648
Fancy goods	4,065,497	795,711
Melado and syrup of sugar-cane	3,945,690	776,475
Earthen, stone, and china ware	3,804,807	2,911,118
Molasses	3,357,030	6,544,051
Flax-seed	3,039,512	235,313
Watches and watch movements and materials	3,039,512	235,313
Total	$315,123,909	$146,704,651
All other articles	111,197,525	90,591,069
Total foreign imports	$426,321,427	$237,295,720

DOMESTIC EXPORTS.

Gold and silver bullion and gold and silver coin	$55,016,415	$18,889,131
Cotton	49,130,448	178,112,621
Breadstuffs	47,719,794	46,908,818
Bacon and hams	25,646,864	9,375,153
Oils, illuminating	24,441,591	15,764,194
Lard	16,930,670	4,314,945
Tobacco leaf	12,681,942	10,007,893
Cheese	10,337,382	160,628
Tallow	4,977,411	2,091,060
Furs and fur skins	3,519,814	219,736
Leather of all kinds	3,183,387	1,181,787
Total	$253,578,338	$287,018,966
All other articles	59,551,625	48,983,634
Total domestic exports	$313,129,963	$336,002,600

Recapitulation of the Foreign Commerce of the Port of New-York, as compared with the aggregate of all other Ports of the United States for the year ending June 30, 1873.

Foreign Merchandise.	Port of New York.	Aggregate of all other Ports of the U. S.
Imported	$426,321,427	$237,295,720
Re-exported	18,972,099	9,177,413
Consumed and on hand	$407,349,328	$228,118,308
Domestic Produce.		
Exported	$313,129,963	$336,002,600
Excess of foreign imports over domestic exports	$94,219,365	....
Excess of domestic exports over foreign imports	....	$107,884,292
Total foreign commerce of the Port of New-York		$758,423,489
Total foreign commerce of all other ports of the United States		582,475,732
Total foreign commerce of the United States, 1872-73		$1,340,899,221
Total foreign commerce of the United States, 1871-72		1,212,328,233
Total foreign commerce of the United States, 1870-71		1,132,472,558
Total foreign commerce of the United States, 1869-70		991,896,889

Increase in the Foreign Commerce of the Port of New-York for the past Three Years, compared with all other Ports of the United States for the same period.

	Port of New-York.	All other Ports of the United States.
Fiscal year ending June 30, 1873	$54,329,768	$74,238,290
Fiscal year ending June 30, 1872	40,569,965	39,993,010
Fiscal year ending June 30, 1871	139,225,849	1,349,520
Increase in three years	$234,121,582	$114,880,750

It must be borne in mind that the foreign imports represent gold values, and the domestic exports, except $73,905,546 of coin and bullion, are in currency values, from which an average of eleven per cent. should be deducted to make the basis of the latter equal to that of the former.

COMPLETE VOTE OF NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

The Concord *Monitor* of Monday give the following statement of the complete vote of New-Hampshire for Governor by counties, compared with the vote in 1873:

	1874.				1873.			
Counties.	McCutchins	Weston	Blackmer	Scattering	Straw	Weston	Blackmer	Mason and scattering
Rockingham	5529	4088	347	8	5546	4759	147	105
Strafford	3013	2736	486	19	3126	2470	297	42
Belknap	1764	2198	76	..	1826	2066	21	43
Carroll	1892	2389	81	1	1702	2097	59	42
Merrimack	4767	4829	153	8	4822	4477	79	126
Hillsborough	6378	6607	375	9	6473	5555	254	60
Cheshire	3460	2870	80	..	3428	2532	53	74
Sullivan	2178	1976	184	1	2134	1853	103	53
Grafton	3914	4486	173	1	3795	4325	56	84
Coos	1311	1865	138	..	1303	1607	100	66
Total	34136	35611	2095	40	34023	39016	1059	698

These returns show that Weston lacks 660 votes of an election, a majority over all the other candidates being required to elect in New-Hampshire. The complete returns for Representative show that the House will contain 167 Republicans and 178 Democrats, one member elected by the Prohibitionists being in this statement classed with the Republicans. The town of Orange balloted fifteen times for a Representative, and then voted not to send.

M. GUIZOT ON THE SEPTENNAT.

An article by M. Guizot in the *Revue des Deux Mondes*, on the life and works of M. Vitet, contains the following expression of his own opinion on the subject of the Septennat: "Are we nearer a definite solution than we were in 1871? nearer considering the Republic as the solution seriously and sincerely adopted by France? I think not. We have tried the monarchical solution by the reconciliation and union of the two branches of the Royal family. This combination has failed. The Comte de Chambord would not accept the national conditions of it. We have returned to the Republican combination, but maintaining it in its provisional character; it is for seven years only that the majesty of the National Assembly has committed to Marshal MacMahon's loyalty the care of maintaining order in France without definitely proclaiming the Republic there. When the Marshal shall have accomplished his Septennat, we shall again find ourselves confronted by the same question, monarchical or republican, or, perhaps, partaking of both these characters, as it was with the Dutch in the seventeenth century, when they made the Stadtholderate a permanent institution of the Republic of the United Provinces." The last suggestion is characteristic, as an instance of the political instinct of the veteran statesman.

THE TRIAL OF CALLENDER, THE BANK EXAMINER.

The trial of Charles Callender, the Ex-Bank Examiner, was continued in the United States Circuit Court yesterday, before Judge Benedict and a jury. C. C. Stevenson testified, on cross-examination, that Callender's checks on the Ocean Bank were counted as cash, because it was intended that they should be taken up in a few days. Counsel for defense offered to show that the loans on the other banks were contracted by Callender for the benefit of the Ocean National Bank, and that the money on the checks were given on that account, and not for the personal benefit of the defendant. The Court said if he took up these sums with the intent of having them influence him as Bank Examiner, he should be found guilty, no matter what subsequent use he made of that money. John S. Langworthy, Deputy Collector of the Currency, testified that the only reports made by Callender of the Ocean Bank, were two. There was no report of his concerning that bank on file for 1871.

B. T. Brundige testified that in the year 1871 he was cashier of the Union Square National Bank. Callender's check on that bank for $20,000, bearing date Oct. 7, 1871, was not good, he having had no account then in that bank.

The further hearing of the case was at this point adjourned to this morning.

RUFFIANLY ASSAULT.

At 9 o'clock last night, as Michael Brown, aged twenty-four, of No. 303 West Twentieth street, was passing the corner of Forty-second street and Eleventh avenue, he was assaulted by a gang of young ruffians who infest the neighborhood. While the gang were engaged in beating him, one of the ruffians shot him in the arm. After beating him almost to insensibility, they fled, and made their escape. Brown was subsequently found by the Police and taken to his home, but they failed to make any arrests.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

HOW IT WAS CELEBRATED.

THE PARADE OF THE SEVERAL IRISH SOCIETIES—THEY ARE REVIEWED BY MAYOR HAVEMEYER.

The anniversary of the birth of St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, was commemorated yesterday by the Irish population of this City in a way that illustrated in the most convincing form the Milesian love of nationality and the strong desire to manifest their adherence to the idea under the most depressing circumstances. It is difficult in the extreme for the American mind to understand the impulse which prompted probably 25,000 men and boys to parade the streets in tinsel regalia and uniform, on horseback, in carriages, and on foot, with bands of music and banners of green and gold, during the prevalence of a continuous fall of rain, which at times came down quite heavily. But the programme had been arranged, many weeks of preparation had passed, and the day had dawned, albeit it proved an inclement one, and literally "poured cold water on the whole thing." The remark was prevalent everywhere that "no one but Irishmen would do it," and it was probably correctly stated. Irishmen throughout the Metropolis cited the parade under such adverse circumstances as the strongest evidence of the indomitability of the Celtic character, and would have felt, if the display had been postponed, that Irish prestige had suffered in consequence. So the Irishmen "walked" to maintain the ideality of Irish national integrity, and if some graves in Calvary Cemetery do not result from the "walk" and the drenching to which so many thousands of persons were exposed, it may be attributed to some interposition of Providence and the constitutional soundness of the Celtic physique. As early as 9 o'clock the various civic and military organizations which intended to participate in the demonstration were busy assembling at their respective head-quarters, and marched thence, independently, to the general rendezvous in Second avenue, where the grand line was formed. It was directed that the procession should move on the route of march about 1 o'clock, and the formation was promptly effected. The right of the line rested on Twenty-third street, and the left on Second street, though even when the line had been properly formed between these two points, all the intervening streets which intersect the avenue were occupied by societies which only awaited the moving of the procession to fall in and swell the numbers. An immense crowd of spectators, drawn largely from the populous Eleventh and Seventeenth Wards, was congregated along the avenue, and awaited uncomplainingly the completion of preparations for the spectacle. Looking from any elevated position, the spectator witnessed one vast aggregation of umbrella-domes along the sidewalks, while the centre of the avenue was crowded with military bands, marshals and aids, mounted on horses that at times cavorted dangerously among the closely clustered processionists; thousands of men with flaring green badges, a foot and a half in length, depending from the lapels of their coats, green flags saturated with rain so that they were heavy and limp and looked almost black, and about two thousand soldiers in uniform with green facings, and wearing emerald plumes. The route of the procession, as announced in the general orders, issued by Grand Marshal John Magnire, was down Second avenue to Second street, through Second street to Bowery, down Bowery to Canal street, through Canal to Centre, down Centre to the easterly gates of the City Hall Park, across the Park to Broadway, up Broadway to Union square, and down Fourth avenue to Astor place, where the parade was to disperse. There were in all about seventy-five of the organizations known as Roman Catholic Total Abstinence Societies and Father Mathew Total Abstinence Benevolent Societies, about ten societies of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and twenty miscellaneous, religious, civic, and juvenile societies in the parade, together with about 1,500 uniformed militiamen of the National Guard and sundry independent commands, the best known of which is the Legion of St. Patrick. The procession was headed by a squadron of mounted police, deployed from curb to curb, under command of Sergt. Nesting, and these were followed by a platoon of patrolmen. Then came the Sixty-ninth Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y., under command of Col. James Cavanagh. This regiment made the only show in the procession that was worth looking at, and their appearance was decidedly creditable, both as to numbers, physical appearance, and soldierly bearing. Next in order was the Legion of St. Patrick and then the Grand Marshal and his staff, all well mounted. There were in all thirty-three bands of music in the line. They succeeded in thrilling the ears and hearts of the assembled thousands along the streets with many of the most vigorous Irish airs. There were also at intervals in the line a few Irish pipers, and not a few open and closed carriages containing invited guests and officers of various Irish organizations. All the way down town the "walkers" received a regular east-side ovation from thousands of sympathizing men and thousands of admiring women, young and old, who themselves took no small degree of pride in displaying green ribbons and leaves in their bonnets, and small sprigs of shamrock in their bosoms. By the time the procession had reached the City Hall, which was about 2:45 o'clock, its appearance was by no means gorgeous, nor was it imposing, excepting, perhaps, in numbers. The flags and banners looked draggled and rain-washed, the uniforms were saturated, and the sheepskin of the drum-heads vibrated a dull, muffled sound. The heads of not less than ten of the bass drums were split, and the drummers were using the intact heads very gingerly for fear they too might soon collapse. Only a few houses along the way made any display of flags, but at the City Hall all the Municipal and national bunting was flung to the winds and drizzle. As soon as the head of the column reached the Park gates, the Mayor, attended by a large deputation of heads of bureaus, and members of the Boards of Aldermen and Assistant Aldermen, descended the portico steps from the Hall and took up positions under umbrellas, on the front of the esplanade, thus being the reviewing point. He bore the ordeal of water and waiting while this four-mile panorama of wet clothes was passing him with considerable composure. At last the review was over, and the procession was trailing itself up Broadway, the streets being densely crowded all the way, and business completely suspended, or, rather, obstructed. Among the peculiar scenes of the "turn-out" were at times, from various points of observation, perfect brown billowy oceans of umbrellas. Another subject of note was the fact that some of the mounted aids, wearing cocked hats, swords, and sashes, actually carried umbrellas, and as they galloped to and fro along the line the novelty of their antiluvian equipment on horseback was striking in the extreme. The parade, as a whole, passed off quietly, though local traffic suffered very severely by reason of the monopoly and blockade of the streets.

MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL.

A solemn pontifical high mass was celebrated in honor of St. Patrick, in St. Patrick's Cathedral. Most Rev. Archbishop McCloskey officiated as celebrant, assisted by Very Rev. William Quinn, Vicar General, Assistant Priest; Deacons of Honor, Very Rev. Thomas S. Preston, Pastor of St. Ann's and Chancellor of the arch-diocese, and Rev. J. Michael Curran, Pastor of St. Andrews; Deacon of the Mass Rev. John J. McNamee, and Sub-deacon, Rev. John Kane; the First Master of Ceremonies, Rev. John F. Kearney; Second Assistant Priest, John F. Farley. Rev. John Salter, Chaplain of the Convent of Mercy, was also present. The sermon was preached by Rev. Joseph Henning, of the Order of Redemptorists. The musical portion of the services was rendered by a double-quartet choir, under the direction of Gustav Schmidt, organist of the cathedral. The altar and surroundings were tastefully illuminated and decorated with beautiful flowers.

SOCIAL CELEBRATIONS OF THE DAY.

There was quite a number of social reunions last evening in commemoration of the day, which took the form of banquets, balls, and receptions. The Friendly Sons of St. Patrick gave a banquet at Delmonico's, Fifth avenue and Fourteenth street, at which over 200 members and guests were present. Judge John R. Brady presided, and the speakers included Charles O'Conor, Congressman Cox, District Attorney Phelps, Robert Sewell, and other gentlemen. The room was tastefully decorated with flags and devices, and the occasion proved a most enjoyable one. The toast list embraced "The day we celebrate," "The United States," "Ireland," "The President of the United States," "The State of New-York," "The Empire City," and other felicitous subjects, which were appropriately responded to. The Knights of the Red Branch commemorated the day by a banquet at the Grand Central Hotel, and about 120 guests sat down to the *menu* prepared for the occasion. John W. Goff, Grand Commander, presided, and delivered the opening address, and a large array of patriotic toasts and sentiments were responded to, among them being: "Ireland in Her Ancient Glory," "The Irish Race," "The Future of Ireland," "The Irish People at Home," "The Irish People Abroad," "America, the Land of our Adoption," "The Irish Soldier in America," &c. The Knights of St. Patrick dined at the Sturtevant House, and spent a very pleasant evening. The non-commissioned officers of the Sixty-ninth Regiment gave a "ball at their armory, which entertainment was largely attended.

THE DAY IN BROOKLYN.

The City Hall and Court-house displayed the usual holiday bunting, yesterday, in honor of St. Patrick's Day. The parade took place, but owing to the inclemency of the weather was not witnessed by the crowds of previous days. The various Irish Societies gathered at the rendezvous in the Eastern District in large force, and formed according to the published programme, under the direction of Grand Marshal Hugh Ward, assisted by his immediate Aids, Thomas Cline and Thomas Corrigan. As the organizations arrived on the ground, each was assigned its proper place in the line. In consequence of the bad weather, many societies were late in reaching the place of meeting, and consequently the procession did not begin marching sharply on time, 12 o'clock. The streets in the neighborhood were lined with spectators, many of whom were women and children. The procession began moving shortly before 1 o'clock, in the following order: Grand Marshal, Hugh Ward; First Aid, Thomas Cline; Second Aid, Thomas Corrigan, and a large staff of specials, mounted on horseback, wearing chapeaus with green plumes, and a green sash. Then followed twenty-six lodges of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, averaging 100 men each, then barouches containing officers of the Irish Convention. Next followed the Father Mathew Temperance Societies, and after them fifteen divisions of the St. Patrick's Mutual Alliance, headed by Mr. William Rawley, President of the organization on Long Island. The procession reached the City Hall a few minutes before 2 o'clock, where it was received by the Mayor, Aldermen and several members of the Common Council. After the review the procession proceeded by way of Court street to Atlantic, and along Atlantic to Flatbush avenue, where it dispersed. It is estimated that there were about 7,000 men in line.

IN NEW-JERSEY.

The day was very generally observed in all the large cities of New-Jersey, although the heavy rain storm which prevailed caused the processions to be much smaller than they would otherwise have been. In Jersey City appropriate services were held in all the Catholic Churches in the morning. Between 10 and 11 o'clock the procession began to form on Jersey avenue, the right resting on Newark avenue, and at about 11 the order to march was given. The societies forming the procession were St. Patrick's and St. Peter's Temperance Societies, and ten divisions of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Besides these there were a number of clergymen and prominent citizens in carriages. Each society was preceded by a band of music, and banners and flags, both Irish and American, were displayed in great profusion. The procession, under the direction of the Grand Marshal Christopher Geraghty, and headed by a squad of Police under the command of Sergeant Lee, marched through the principal streets of the city, and was reviewed at the City Hall by Mayor O'Neill and several members of the Board of Aldermen. A section of the St. Patrick's Mutual Alliance went to New-York and joined in the parade there. Another section of the same order went to Newark, accompanied by a company of Gallowglasses, and participated in the celebration in that city. In the evening the Friendly Sons of Ireland gave their grand annual banquet at Taylor's Hotel. A large number of prominent citizens were present, and the evening was very pleasantly spent. The usual toasts were given and responses made. The Knights of St. Patrick dined at the Philadelphia Hotel. In Paterson services were held in the Catholic churches, and a procession took place. On account of the rain, the parade was not so large as on former occasions. In the evening Rev. Father Brady, of New-York, delivered a lecture at Father McNulty's church on the life of St. Patrick. In New-Brunswick the parade was one of the finest that has ever taken place in the city on any occasion. The societies were reviewed by the Mayor and Common Council. In the evening Father Downes delivered a lecture on the faith of the Irish. At Elizabeth, Rahway, Trenton, and other places, the day was appropriately celebrated.

ON STATEN ISLAND.

The rain-storm did not prevent a hearty demonstration on Staten Island. All the Irish societies of Richmond County, twelve in number, assembled at 12 o'clock at Port Richmond, in the following order: Guide band; Irish dragoons, mounted, Capt. Thomas Doran; two platoons of the Richmond County Police, under the command of Capt. Blake; three Father Barry societies, (temperance,) of Rossville, Richmond, and Graniteville, Capt. John Mahan; the Manning Guards, Capt. John Monahan; the Irish Legion, Capt. Frank McTaisney; the Hibernian Society, No. 1, Capt. John Cox; the Hibernian Society, No. 2, Capt. John Relse; the Knights of St. Patrick, Capt. John Garvey; President and Orator of the Day, Father Barry; and Deputy Grand Marshals and Aids, in carriages. Mr. C. Harte was Grand Marshal, and Messrs. James Dempsey, John J. Vaughn, and Michael Walsh, acted as special aids on horseback. The line of march was from Port Richmond along the North Shore Road, through Factoryville, along the Snug Harbor, through New-Brighton and Jersey street on the turnpike to Tompkinsville, through the Shore Road, through Stapleton to New-York avenue to Clifton, and back to Stapleton Park, where Father Barry, of the Rossville Parish, delivered an oration. In the evening the Knights of St. Patrick had a banquet and ball at the old Lyceum in Stapleton. Mr. James Burke delivered the oration, and a ball was given at Wagner's Hotel in Canal street. District School No. 2, of Castleton, was closed in honor of the day by order of the Trustees, although it was not closed on the anniversary of Washington's Birthday, which is a legal holiday.

VOYAGE OF THE STEAMER TENIERS.

The terrible weather that has prevailed over the North Atlantic for the past few weeks has extended much further south than was originally supposed, and numbers of the steamers and sailing-vessels arriving from the West Indies and South America report unusually heavy weather on their homeward trips, accompanied by north-west winds and violent squalls in latitudes where both are rarities. The steamer Teniers, Capt. Connolly, which arrived at this port Monday from Rio de Janeiro, after an unusually long and very stormy passage, reports a rapid succession of terrific squalls, varied by sudden calms of a few minutes each, for days together. This was in the Gulf Stream. For a long time the heavy seas and spray were dashed over the ship, flooding her forecastle and main deck, smashing in bulwarks, and drenching the bedding of the seamen. For seven days together the Captain says he had the whole crew, forty-one in number, living aft in the cabin, the only part of the ship where dry quarters could be found. While in the north-east trades the steamer frequently encountered heavy winds from the north-west, accompanied by a chopping sea, a conclusive sign that a great storm was raging in that quarter. For the last ten days of her voyage the Teniers passed through a number of severe gales. From the evening of Friday, the 6th inst., to noon on Saturday, the 14th, the wind blew one continuous gale from the north-west, accompanied by squalls from the same direction. On some days the steamer made but sixty miles, when her usual run was over 200. Head winds prevailed all the way. The Teniers is a Clyde-built screw steamer of 1,017 tons burden, engines of 300 nominal horse-power, and was built in 1869. Her cargo was 22,000 bags of coffee. Her officers report business at Rio as brisk, especially in coffee, the crop of January last being an excellent one. Further down the coast, on the Rio de la Plata, the wool business, usually so large, is almost at a stand still, none but sailing vessels taking freights in this staple. At Santos, 150 miles south of Rio, American steamers are loading with cotton for the German ports.

BILLIARD CONTEST.

The advertised billiard contest between Geo. B. Mallory and George Mercer took place last night at Roe's billiard hall, No. 199 Bowery. The game was 300 points up, French caroms, on a nine feet by eleven feet table, for $200. Mallory was the favorite at $50 to $40. The game lasted three hours twenty minutes, and was won by Mallory. Score—Mall

THE REAL ESTATE MARKET.

The attendance at the Exchange yesterday, Tuesday, March 17, was light and only one auction was held, viz.: Sale by A. J. Bleecker, Son & White, under a Supreme Court foreclosure decree, John J. Thomasson, Esq., Referee, of a four-story and basement brown-stone front house, with lot 21.3 by 100.5, on West Fifty-seventh street, north side, 123.6 feet west of Ninth avenue; sold for $22,800 to Henry Goldschmidt, the owner of a second mortgage on the property. The legal sale by James M. Miller, of a house and lot on Sheriff street, between Broome and Delancey streets, was adjourned to April 7. Concerning the auctions held in Brooklyn by Jere. Johnson, Jr., a report as to result will be made to-morrow.

TO-DAY'S SALES.

For to-day public auctions are announced to occur as follows:

By Adrian H. Muller & Son, Supreme Court partition sale, of the valuable four-story brown-stone front house, 22.10 by 92, with extra size lot 116.10 feet deep, No. 57 Fifth avenue, east side, 40 feet north of Sixteenth street. Also, public auction sale of two lots on Ninth avenue, south-west corner of Ninety-eighth street, together in size 50.7 by 100, and one lot 25 by 100 on Tenth avenue, east side, 50.5 feet south of Sixty-fourth street. Also, Supreme Court foreclosure sale of the four-story brick house, 24 by 56, with lot 96.9 feet deep, No. 539 West Twenty-sixth street, north side, 453 feet west of Tenth avenue. Also, similar sale, of a plot 72 by 100, with buildings, on Crosby street, east side, 72 feet south of Spring street. Also, peremptory sale of a lease of the premises Nos. 12 and 14 College place, with the second, third, and fourth floors of Nos. 63 and 65 Murray street, connecting therewith; term of lease about five years; rent $3,450 per annum; sub-lease not allowed.

By B. H. Ludlow & Co., public auction sale of the premises No. 17 Broome street, south-east corner of Mangin street, embracing a lot 26 by 75, with a three-story frame house upon the front thereof and a three-story brick house in rear. Also, Supreme Court partition sale of the following City real estate: One three-story and basement high-stoop brick house, 24.10 by 48, with two-story extension, and lot 98.9 feet deep, No. 436 West Twenty-third street, south side, 314.9 feet west of Ninth avenue; one brick house, 24 by 25, with lot 75 feet deep, No. 34 Harrison street, north side, 99.11 feet east of Washington street, and the premises No. 10 Hubert street, north-west corner of Collister street, embracing a lot 23 by 87.6, with a three-story brick house, 25 by 40, upon the front thereof and a stable, 25 by 50, in rear. By Edw. C. Bleecker, Son & White, Supreme Court partition sale, of the premises No. 328 Pearl street, south side, 128 feet west of Dover street, comprising a lot 26 by 126 by 26.8 by 131, with large brick house thereon. Also, Supreme Court foreclosure sale of six building lots located respectively at Myrtle avenue, Madison, Monroe, Cherry, Wales, and South streets, with water rights, the lots to be sold forming a rectangular strip of land 46 feet in width, extending from the easterly line of the block between Henry and Madison streets, on the north side of South street. Also, public auction sale of the following property located in South Brooklyn: Two two-story frame houses, with lots, each 25 by 100, Nos. 308 and 307 Twenty-third street, north side, between Sixth and Seventh avenues; also two lots, each 25 by 100 in rear, fronting on Twenty-second street.

By Cole & Murphy, at City Sales-room, No. 339 Fulton street, Brooklyn, executors' sale of an extensive list of valuable Brooklyn real estate, as follows: Homestead, with forty lots, on Bushwick Avenue and Evergreen avenue, between Myrtle and Ridgewood street; one house and two lots on Quincy street, between Ralph and Patchen avenues; the Atlantic Hotel property on Hamrod street, Myrtle and Johnson avenues; three lots on Flushing avenue, near Tompkins avenue; the building lots on Bogart street, near Bogart street; seventeen lots on the same avenue, between Bogart street and Morgan avenue; seven lots on Cook street, near Bogart street, and one lot on the corner of Flushing and Evergreen avenues.

By J. Cole, at the Commercial Exchange, No. 389 Fulton street, public auction sale of the following Brooklyn property: Two brown-stone-front houses, each 20 by 43 feet, with lots, each 100 feet deep, Nos. 666 and 664 Carlton avenue, between St. Mark's avenue and Prospect place; one two-story and basement frame house, with lot 25 by 100, No. 106 Lemon avenue, and three two-story and basement brick houses, with lots, each 20 by 80, on Third avenue, near Forty-first street.

By Lewis E. Wood, at Jersey City, N. J., on the premises at 3 o'clock, two three-story brick houses, each 30 by 35, with lots, each 75 feet deep, Nos. 137 and 133 Henderson street, corner of York street, and the three-story and basement brick house, 16.5 by 90, with lot 100 feet deep, No. 173 York street, also Henderson street.

By J. M. Gibson, at sales-room, No. 31 Montgomery street, Jersey City, at 2 o'clock, public auction sale of a two-story and attic brick house, 22 by 30, with lot, 23 by 100 feet, on Second street, north side, between Waldo and Chestnut avenues, Jersey City Heights.

EXCHANGE SALES—TUESDAY, MARCH 17.

NEW-YORK.

By A. J. Bleecker, Son & White.

A four-story and basement brown-stone house and lot, West 57th pt. n. s., 192.6 ft. w. of 9th av., lot 21.2x100.5 ..... $22,800

RECORDED REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

NEW-YORK.

Monday, March 16.

Amity st., s. s., 86 ft. e. of South 5th av., 21.6x75 ..... $11,500

Charles st., n. s., 82.1 ft. e. of Bleecker st., 20x95.3 24,000

Charles st., n. s., 82.1 ft. e. of Bleecker st., 20x95.2 24,000

Henry st., n. s., 120 ft. e. of Scammel st., 24x79.3 12,500

Rutger st., n. e. corner of Madison st., 27.6½ 13,000

St. Marks place, n. s., 69 ft. e. of 2d av., 27.5x34.5 12,750

Stanton st., s. s., 185.8 n. easterly of Ivey st., 16.8x25[illegible] 6,400

Wall st., n. s., adjoining T. E. Sutton, 17x100, warehouses 9,350

Hudson st., 189 ft. n. of Avenue C, 25x103.5 15,000

32d st., s. s., 420 e. of 10th av., 20x98.9 12,500

51st st., s. s., 381.6 ft. w. of 8th av., 20x100.5 9,000

206th st., s. s., 65 ft. w. of 2d av., 20x100.5 15,500

46th st., s. s., 206 ft. e. of 10th av., 50x100.6 16,800

36th st., n. s., 80 ft. w. of Madison av., 20x100.5 14,500

112th st., s. s., 215 ft. e. of 3d av., 20x100.10 40,000

Clinton av., e. s., 125 ft. w. of 2d st., 25x100; Clinton st., s. s., 150 ft. w. of 2d st., 25x75, with water rights 12,000

Jefferson av., s. s., lots Nos. 295, 306, 307, L. Ryer homestead, 75x110, runs to Ryer avenue; lot 308 450

Madison av., n. e. corner 23d st., 51.9x25.5 1,500

Madison av., s. e. corner 23d st., 51.9x25.5 34,000

Madison av., s. s., 51.2 ft. n. of 82d st., 51.8x75 27,000

Madison av., n. e. corner 82d st., 102.2x25 27,000

Lee av., s. s., 47 ft. n. of 17th st., 45x94, 3-9 pt. 61,000

2d av., e. s., 127.2 ft. n. of 80th st.; thence e. 100 ft.; thence s. 25 ft.; thence e. 50 ft.; thence s. 25 ft.; thence w. 150 ft. to a point 145.9 ft. n. of 80th st.; thence s. 17 ft. 700

Junction of West road and Walker st. and Locust st. and Walker st.; thence n. 380 ft. to Chestnut st.; thence n. e. —; thence s. e. 169x97 ft. to Walker st., thence s. w. 324.6 ft., being 4 acres; lot near residence late Thomas Hunter; title to water; appurtenant in front thereof. 94x100, West Farms 20,660

LEASES RECORDED.

Barclay st., n. s., 50 ft. w. of Church st., 27.7x104.8x28.4x114.8, 21 years, per year 1,793

Cherry st., No. 212, 9 years, per year 1,200

Elizabeth st., Nos. 119 and 121, 3 1-12 years, per year 1,000

CITY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE—VERY DESIRABLE FOUR-STORY high-stoop dwelling, No. 586 7th av., at junction with Broadway; examination will show this property is one of desirable location for first-class business and very great increase in value; can be purchased at figures that make this one of the safest and best investments in real estate offering. Owner, No. 238 West 44th st., before 12 and evenings.

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AT A BARGAIN—A FOUR-STORY HIGH-STOOP brown-stone house, 20.6x50, lot 100, on 45th st., near 2d av.; house partially furnished; price only $26,000. *For permits apply to* WM. RAYNOR, No. 5½ Pine st.

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SALE THIS DAY, (MARCH 18,)
OF EXTRA-SIZED RESIDENCE,
NO. 87 5TH AV.
ADRIAN H. MULLER & SON, Auctioneers.

CHURCH PROPERTY ON 57TH ST., NEAR 10 Lexington av. Church with furniture and three-story dwelling; the whole only asked for sale; Church cost upward of $8,000. Apply to WM. H. RAYNOR, No. 5½ Pine st.

FOR SALE—A FIRST-CLASS THREE-STORY brown-stone house on 96th st., near Lexington av.; built in 1873; lot 20.6x100.5; price, $25,000; unfurnished, $23,000; including furniture, $25,000; conveyed. E. W. WILLIAMS, No. 837 6th av.

$20,000 FOR FOUR-STORY BRICK house near Broadway; $26,000 for high-stoop, brown stone, same locality; also several modern houses for sale. Apply to BELLAMY BROS., No. 5½ Pine st.

JOHN S. PERRINE, NO. 106 BROADWAY, OFfers at a positive sacrifice, and on very easy terms, a three-story high-stoop brown-stone house on West 126th st., near the corner of Avenue A; price $4,500.

A RESIDENCE AND FURNITURE RESIDENCE ON 40th st., near 5th av., for sale, furnished or unfurnished, at prices moderate. E. W. WILLIAMS, No. 837 6th av.

FOR SALE—A LOT OF 40TH ST., BETWEEN 5th and 6th sts.; also, one on 54th st., between 6th and 7th sts.; prices very low. E. W. WILLIAMS, No. 837 6th av.

FOR SALE—FOUR-STORY HIGH-STOOP BROWN-stone front house, No. 15 West 45th st., college front. Apply on premises.

CITY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE.
A new medium-size, four-story brown-stone house, No. 115 East 70th st., "Lennox Hill," built in the best manner by day's work, and hard wood finish; topleted and complete in every particular; price very low; terms easy. Inquire of CHARLES FOX, or WM. BENTLEY, on the premises, No. 12 East 45th st.

FOR SALE—ON VERY REASONABLE TERMS, A beautiful new, well-built, substantial four-story high-stoop brown-stone house, in fine order, on 53d st., between 5th and 6th avs.; 20x60x100. Purchasers only need apply for permits, terms, &c., to owner, No. 48 Pine st., Rooms Nos. 17 and 18.

FOR SALE—FIRST-CLASS BROWN-STONE house on the east side Park av., near 38th st., 17.4x65x80; hard wood finish, and in perfect order throughout; sixty per cent can remain on bond and mortgage. Inquire for permits, &c., of E. S. HAYWARD, No. 614 Broadway.

$250 LOTS IN NEW-YORK CITY.—AT Woodlawn Heights, Twenty-fourth Ward; great inducements to purchasers: houses are being built; express trains stop in front of property at junction of two principal railroads; new depot at property.
POTTER BROTHERS, No. 4 Warren st.

FOR SALE—A SPLENDID BARGAIN FOR A PARTY with a small capital, two-story, attic, and basement frame house in East 38th st.; $3,000 wanted, balance on easy terms. F. S. HAYWARD & CO., Nos. 22 and 24 Delancey st.

A PERFECT LITTLE GEM FOR SALE.—A furnished, everything new and beautiful; No. 677 Madison av.; price, $50,000; one-half cash. Can be seen between 10 and 2, and after 6 P. M.

A FINE FOUR-STORY BROWN-STONE HOUSE on 37th st., between 5th and 6th avs., in perfect order; $35,000. Others from $17,000 to $200,000.
BELLAMY BROS., No. 5½ Pine st.

ELEGANT DWELLINGS CHEAP.—18 EAST 57th st., 19 East, 18 West 53d, 16 West 52d, 15 East 48th st.; 6th av., Nos. 299, 584, 675, 781, 783, 7 W. E. STEVENSON, Jr., No. 11 Pine st.

FOR SALE—AN ELEGANT NEW THREE-STORY brown-stone house, all improvements; easy terms. Apply on the premises, No. 151 East 37th st.

BROOKLYN REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE OR RENT—HANDSOME VILLA, 22 x60, corner of 8th av. and Lincoln place, (Degraw st.) near the Park. J. LACY, No. 538 Broadway, N. Y.

$5,000 TO $8,000 WILL BUY THREE-STORY brick houses, all improvements, 10 to 15 rooms; terms to suit. O. V. Holcomb, 59 B'way, W'msburg.

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FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—PROPERTY known as Mount Florence Mansion. A most desirable and valuable country seat, near Poeskskill, on the Hudson, about 300 feet above the river; charming views of mountain, river, lake and island scenery; 70 to 80 acres of finest land, all highly and elegantly improved; location healthful and beautiful, and near country house of Rev. Henry Ward Beecher; lawns, avenues, and walks embellished with large and beautiful shade-trees, evergreens, terraces, fountains, marble statuary, &c.; mansion large and elegant; contains twenty-five rooms, all modern improvements, walls frescoed, hot and cold water, elegant chandeliers, Baker & Smith's heater, conservatory, billiard-room, two bowling-alleys; large barns, carriage-house, carpenter's shop, blacksmith's shop, gas-house, poultry-house, granary, smoke-house, ice-house, &c.; farm-house, Summer-house; lake, and three streams abounding in fish running through the property. Everything in complete order and ready for immediate occupancy. The property is in every respect one of the handsomest places near New-York, and will be sold far below its value and on very favorable terms.
HUGH N. CAMP, No. 106 Broadway.

CHEAP PROPERTY FOR SALE IN NEWark, N. J.—A two-story and French-roof frame house, just completed, with all modern improvements; bathroom and bowls finished in hard wood and marble; greatest portion of wood-work grained in French walnut; all the walls hard finished, with cornices, niches, and centrepieces, and marble mantles complete, and a never-failing well of water on premises. This property is situated on Orchard st., in a healthy, quiet, and first-class neighborhood, one block between two of the most important horse-car railroads running the whole length of the city, and within four blocks of Chestnut Street Depot, on Pennsylvania Railroad. Price $6,800; $3,000 can remain on bond and mortgage, balance cash; possession immediately.

A two-story and attic frame house, in good order, containing five rooms, house 16x26, lot 25x100 feet; house in rear of front street, with room for a large front; three minutes' walk from the depot, a horse-car depot, and five minutes from a depot on Pennsylvania Railroad.

Price $2,700; $350 can remain on bond and mortgage.

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RUFUS K. MCHARG, No. 135 Broadway.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—AT PLAINFIELD, N. J.—A wooden-built residence, with stable and three acres of land, all in good order; terms easy. Apply to M. DE FOREST, No. 69 Liberty st.

GREENWICH, CONN.—TWO FIRST-CLASS dwelling-houses, five and ten acres land, for sale. Apply to FRANCIS TOMES, No. 119 Broadway.

REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

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EXTRA-SIZED RESIDENCE,

NO. 87 5TH AV.,

belonging to the estates of Thomas H. Faile and Edmund Penfold, to be sold at auction on

WEDNESDAY, March 18, 1874,

at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, by order of the Supreme Court, in partition, under direction of Philo T. Buggles, Referee.

The house is four story, brown-stone front, about 90 feet in depth, including the extension, and is in perfect order.

LOT 29.10X116.10.

Maps at the office of the auctioneers, No. 7 Pine st.

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PARTITION SALE OF VALUABLE BUSIness property, Nos. 170 and 172 CENTRE ST. TO CLOSE AND UNDIVIDED INTEREST.

ADRIAN H. MULLER & SON will sell at auction on THURSDAY, March 19, 1874, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, the two five-story brick buildings and lots situate on the easterly side of Centre st., between Canal and Hester sts., and known as Nos. 170 and 172 Centre st. Buildings have vaults under sidewalks. Lots together 49.4½ by 82feet 7 inches.

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF HOUSE AND LOT No. 73 LAIGHT ST.

ADRIAN H. MULLER & SON will sell at auction on THURSDAY, March 19, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, by order of Edmund and Francis Hendricks, Trustees:

LAIGHT STREET.—The two-story and basement brick house and lot, situate on the north side of Laight st., between Sixth av. and Thompson st., and known as No. 73. Lot, 25x90 feet.

J. H. & S. RIKER,
Attorneys, No. 150 Nassau st.

Maps at office of auctioneers.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, Southern District of New-York.—Bankruptcy.—In the matter of ABRAHAM BININGER and ABRAHAM B. CLARK, bankrupts.—Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an order of this court duly made on the 24th day of January, 1874, the undersigned, H. H. Ludlow & Co., auctioneers, will sell at the Merchants' Exchange Sales-rooms, No. 111 Broadway, New-York City, on the 19th day of March, 1874, at 12 M., the following described property, viz.: A tract of land containing 1,117 acres, situate in Briar Creek of Big Coal River, in the County of Kanawha, and State of West Virginia, and which is bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the little fork of Briar Creek, just below the road crossing from Adam Griffith's to John Smith's at the lower side of a branch, thence with the point on the lower side thereof, so as to include all the waters thereof, thence running along the dividing ridge between the waters of Alum Creek and Briar Creek, (except the head of a hollow which heads against the pinnacle;) said line is to cross said hollow one hundred yards from the brow or cleft of said hollow, thence running parallel with Alum, including all the waters of Briar Creek until coming to Griffith's road on the opposite point of said creek, thence down the branch, including all the waters of the same, just above the mouth thereof, to the creek to the beginning, including all the waters on both sides to its head.

Terms of sale cash. Sale to be confirmed by the court.—Dated Jan. 24, 1874.

JOHN S. BEECHER, Assignee.
BANGS & NORTH, Solicitors for Assignee, No. 137 Broadway, New-York City.

A. J. BLEECKER, SON & WHITE.

Trustee's sale, THURSDAY, March 19, at Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway.

PEARL STREET—Near Old Slip, No. 120, five-story store and lot.

WATER STREET—Near Old Slip, No. 84, five-story store and lot.

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FRONT STREET—Near Old Slip, No. 84, four-story store and lot.

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SOUTH STREET—Near Old Slip, No. 43, four-story store and lot.

Water right and bulk-head on the East River, opposite No. 43 South st.

Refer to J. R. STEVENS, Trustee, No. 67 Water st., or A. J. BLEECKER, SON & WHITE, No. 35 Pine st.

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SUPREME COURT PARTITION SALE.
(Under direction of William C. Barrett, Referee,)
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Large brick house and extension and lot known as No. 329 Pearl st., near Dover st.; lot 26x131 and 126.

Maps at No. 35 Pine st.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 24,
Desirable Residence on 44th st.
At 12 M., at Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway.

Four-story high-stoop brown-stone Mansard-roof house and lot, No. 129 East 44th st., south side, a few doors east of Lexington av.; size, 16.8x88; exceedingly well built, in perfect order; all modern improvements. Maps at No. 35 Pine st.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 26,
Business Property on Walker st.
At 12 M., at Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway.

Three-story brick house and lot No. 810 Water st., between Montgomery and Gouverneur sts., size, 25x88; possession immediately; one-half on mortgage. Maps at No. 35 Pine st.

WOOD, BRADY & TODD, Auctioneers.

BY ORDER OF TRUSTEE.
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AT EXCHANGE SALES-ROOMS, NO. 111 BROADWAY,
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Maps at No. 9 Pine st., New-York.

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WILL SELL AT AUCTION, ON WEDNESDAY, April 1, 1874, at 12 o'clock noon, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, New-York City, by order of Robert Gibson. Assignee in Bankruptcy, the three-story and basement brown-stone house, No. 211 East 62d st., New-York City; lot 18.7x100.5 feet.

ROBERT GIBSON,
Assignee of Drubar & Jackson.

SUPREME COURT SALE.—HUGH N. CAMP, Auctioneer, will sell at auction on MONDAY, March 30, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, by order of George A. Black, Esq., Referee: SECOND AVENUE.—The three-story and basement brick house and lot on east side of 2d av., between 36th and 37th sts., and known as No. 362.

Maps at office of auctioneer, No. 106 Broadway.

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DESIRABLE STORE TO RENT IN ROCHESter, N. Y.—A large and elegant store, 28x186 feet, with loft and basement, suitable for a large wholesale or retail business, particularly desirable for dry goods, carpets, clothing, or shoes; on the main street; no better location in the city. Address Drawer No. 14, Rochester Post Office.

TO LET—RENT LOW, THE STORE AND BASEment, 65x100, with steam heating and hoisting, in the new first-class iron-front building north-west corner of Grand and Greene sts., apply to
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TO LET—NO. 19 JOHN ST., STORE AND BASEment; desirably located for jewelry business. For particulars apply to
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Thursday, March 26, at 2 P. M., COLON, Capt. ——, Passengers and freight.

Saturday, April 4, at 12 M., CITY OF GUATEMALA, Capt. J. P. Hilmarsh. Freight and way passengers.

Saturday, April 11, at 1 P. M., ACAPULCO, Capt. ——, Passengers and freight.

Saturday, April 25, at 1 P. M., HENRY CHAUNCEY, Commodore J. W. Otis. Passengers and freight.

And every fortnightly Saturday thereafter, connecting at Panama with all steamers for Central America, Mexico, the coast, and South Pacific ports.

Passenger steamers will call at Kingston, Jamaica, both on their outward and homeward trips, arriving at that port on Friday, the sixth day after leaving New-York, and leaving Saturday P. M. for Aspinwall.

Extra steamers for freight, &c., will be dispatched on intermediate Saturdays, whenever the necessities of transportation may require it.

TO JAPAN AND CHINA.

The splendid steamers of this line leave San Francisco free of every month for Yokohama, Hong Kong, and Shanghai, carrying United States mails.

Extra steamers will be dispatched on the 16th of the month, whenever sufficient business offers. Steamers of this line leaving Hong Kong after April 1, next, will bring freight via Panama, via Yokohama and San Francisco, without breaking bulk.

Time contracts and through bills of lading issued via Panama.

Tea will be brought from San Francisco to New-York, fast, in twenty-eight days, at $40, gold, per ton of 2,000 pounds.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

(Including berth, meals and all requisites for the trip.)

New-York to San Francisco, $50, $100 or $110 currency, according to location.

New-York to Kingston, $25 or $50, gold, according to location.

San Francisco to Yokohama, $150, gold.

San Francisco to Hong Kong, $200, gold.

For freight and passage or other information apply at the Company's office, Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal st., New-York.

H. J. BULLAY, Superintendent.
RUFUS HATCH,
Vice President and Managing Director.

CUNARD LINE.

NOTICE.

With the view of diminishing the chances of collision, the steamers of this line take a specified course for all seasons of the year.

On the outward passage from Queenstown to New-York or Boston, crossing meridian of 50 at 43 latitude, or nothing to the north of 43.

On the homeward passage, crossing the meridian of 50 at 42, or nothing to the north of 42.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAM-SHIPS, BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR.

FROM NEW-YORK. FROM BOSTON.
Calabria, Wed'y, March 18 Hecla, Saturday, March 21
Algeria, Wed'day, March 25 Marathon, Sat'y, March 28
Java, Wednesday, April 1 Atlas, Saturday, April 4
Cuba, Wednesday, April 8 Olympus, Sat'day, April 11
Abyssinia, Wed'y, April 15 Somaria, Tuesday, April 21
And every following WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY from New-York.

Rates of passage—Cabin, $80, $100, and $130, gold, according to accommodation. Return tickets on favorable terms. Steerage, $30, currency. Steerage tickets from Liverpool and Queenstown, and all parts of Europe, at lowest rates. For freight and cabin passage apply at the company's office, No. 4 Bowling green; for steerage passage, No. 111 Broadway, Trinity Building.

CHAS. G. FRANCKLYN, Agent.

PASSENGERS PER STEAM-SHIP CALABRIA sailed from the Cunard Wharf, foot of Grand st., Jersey City, at 3 P. M. on WEDNESDAY, March 18, 1874.

CHAS. G. FRANCKLYN,
No. 4 Bowling-green, New-York.

INMAN LINE.

NOTICE.

The course laid down for these steamers, and followed by them for several years, is fixed to pass 250 miles south of Cape Race. Although the voyage is thus lengthened about 100 miles, better weather is met with, and fewer days of positive freedom from ice and fog-lying ice, and the danger of navigation consequent thereon.

Royal Mail Steamers are appointed to sail as follows:

FOR QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.

CITY OF RICHMOND.....Saturday, Mar. 21, 8 A. M.
CITY OF BROOKLYN.....Saturday, April 4, 2 P. M.
CITY OF BRUSSELS.....Saturday, April 4, 2 P. M.
CITY OF PARIS.....Saturday, April 11, 1 P. M.
and regularly succeeding SATURDAY and THURSDAY, from Pier No. 47 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

CABIN, $70, $80, and $90, gold, according to accommodation. Round trip tickets at low rates.

STEERAGE, to Liverpool, Queenstown, Glasgow, Londonderry, London, Bristol, Cardiff, Belfast, Paris, Hamburg, Bremen &c. Company's office, No. 7 Bowling green, New-York. HENDERSON BROTHERS, Agents.

ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.

THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAM-SHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.

The splendid vessels on this favorite route for the Continent (being more southerly than any other,) will sail from Pier No. 50 North River, as follows:

PEREIRE.....Dauge.....Saturday, March 21
AMERIQUE.....Roussat.....Saturday.....April 4
EUROPE.....Lemasson.....Saturday.....April 18
ST. LAURENT.....Lachenaud.....Saturday.....May 2

PRICE OF PASSAGE IN GOLD. (including wine,) TO HAVRE OR BREST.

First Cabin, $75. Second Cabin, $75.

Excursion tickets at reduced rates.

American travelers going to, or returning from, the Continent of Europe, by taking this line, avoid the transit by English railway and the discomforts of crossing the Channel, besides saving time, trouble, and expense.

GEORGE MACKENZIE, Agent, No. 58 Broadway.

NOTE.—In June and thereafter, the departures will be on Thursday of every week.

NORTH GERMAN LLOYD STEAM-SHIP CO.

FOR SOUTHAMPTON AND BREMEN.

The steam-ship DONAU, Capt. H. A. J. Reinarss, will sail on SATURDAY, March 21, at 2 P. M., from Brunen Pier, foot 3d st., Hoboken, to be followed by steam-ship OHIO, Capt. R. v. Ehsten, on WEDNESDAY, March 25.

RATES OF PASSAGE TO LONDON, HAVRE, AND BREMEN, payable in gold or its equivalent in currency:

First cabin.....$120
Second cabin.....70
Steerage.....30

For freights or passage apply to

OELRICHS & CO., Agents, No. 2 Bowling green.

FOR HAVANA.

NASSAU, PROGRESO, AND VERA CRUZ.

New-York and Mexican Mail Steam-ship Line,

Leaving Pier No. 3 North River, at 3 P. M.

CITY OF MERIDA, (Havana via Nassau).....March 19
METROPOLIS, (Havana direct).....March 21
CITY OF HAVANA, (Havana direct).....Wed., March 25
CITY OF NEW-YORK, (Havana direct).....April 2
CLEOPATRA, (Havana and Mexico).....April 4

For freight or passage apply to

ALEXANDRE & SONS, No. 33 Broadway.

NOTICE TO TRAVELERS.

Families or gentlemen going to travel on the Continent of Europe, who can afford the expense of a courier, should never leave New-York without one. Their services are invaluable in relieving the traveler from multiplicity of cares and troubles respecting passports, examination and conveyance of luggage, in securing the best accommodations, in protecting the traveler from imposition, and as liability of annoyances to which they are exposed in various parts of the Continent. Competent and trustworthy couriers and interpreters can be had at all times at the COURIER BOOK-STORE, No. 9 Barclay st., near the Fulton Ferry, Brooklyn.

SHIPPING.

CARDIFF LINE.

NEW-YORK TO CARDIFF.

The South Wales Atlantic Steam-ship Company's New, First-Class, Full-Powered Clyde-Built Steam-ships

Will sail from Pennsylvania Railroad Wharf, Jersey City, as follows:

ANDES.....March 7
GLAMORGAN.....March 21
PEMBROKE.....April 4
ANDES.....April 18

Carrying goods and passengers at through rates from all parts of the United States and Canada to ports in the Bristol Channel, and all other points in England.

These steam-ships, built expressly for the trade, are provided with all the latest improvements for the comfort and convenience of

CABIN AND STEERAGE PASSENGERS.

First Cabin.....$75 and $80 currency.
Second Cabin.....$50 currency.
Steerage.....$30 currency.
Prepaid steerage certificates from Cardiff.....$33

Drafts for £1 and upward.

For further particulars apply in Cardiff at the Company's Offices, No. 1 Dock Chambers, and in New-York to ARCHIBALD BAXTER & CO., Agents, No. 17 Broadway.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.,

THE FLORIDA PORTS,
AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST.

GREAT SOUTHERN FREIGHT AND PASSENGER LINE.

CENTRAL RAILROAD OF GEORGIA, AND ATLANTIC AND GULF RAILROAD.
WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS.

THE STEAM-SHIPS

LEO, Capt. Dearborn, WEDNESDAY, March 18, from Pier No. 19 East River, at 3 P. M.

MURRAY, FERRIS & CO., Agents,
No. 62 South st.

SAN JACINTO, Capt. Hazard, SATURDAY, March 21, from Pier No. 43 North River, at 3 P. M.

WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling green.

HUNTSVILLE, Capt. Crowell, WEDNESDAY, March 25, from Pier No. 13 North River, at 3 P. M.

H. LOWDEN, Agent,
No. 93 West st.

SAN SALVADOR, Capt. Nickerson, SATURDAY, March 28, from Pier No. 43 North River, at 3 P. M.

WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling green.

Insurance by this line ONE-HALF PER CENT. Superior accommodations for passengers. Through rates and bills of lading in connection with Central Railroad of Georgia, to all points.

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GEORGE YONGE,
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GREAT SOUTHERN FREIGHT AND PASSENGER LINE,

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C.,
THE FLORIDA PORTS,
AND THE
SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST.

SAILING SEMI-WEEKLY AT 3 P. M.,
From Pier No. 29 North River.

SOUTH CAROLINA, Capt. J. T. Becket, Wednesday, March 18.

MANHATTAN, Capt. M. S. Woodhull, Saturday, March 21.

Superior accommodations for passengers.

☞ Insurance by this line ONE-HALF PER CENT.

Goods forwarded free of commission.

Passage tickets and bills of lading issued and signed at the office of

JAMES W. QUINTARD & CO., Agents,
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Through freight tariffs. Passage tickets by all routes and to all points in the South and South-west, and further information can be obtained at the office of

BENTLEY D. HASKELL,
General Agent Great Southern Freight Line,
No. 317 Broadway.

NATIONAL LINE,

NOTICE.—This Company takes the risk of insurance (up to $500,000 in gold) on each of its steamers, thus giving passengers the best possible guarantee for safety and avoidance of danger at sea.

The most southerly route has always been adopted by this company to avoid ice and headlands.

Pier, Pier Nos. 44 and 47½ North River.

TO QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.

Canada, W., Mar. 25, 11 A. M. (Greco. Sat., April 4, 3 P. M.
Egypt. Sat., Mar. 28, 3 P. M. Italy, Sat., April 11, 12 M.

FOR LONDON DIRECT.

DENMARK, Sunday.....Wednesday, March 25, at 11 A. M.

Cabin passage, $70 and $80, currency. Steerage, $29, currency. Return tickets at reduced rates. Prepaid steerage tickets from Liverpool at the lowest rates. Apply at the company's office, No. 69 Broadway.

P. W. J. HURST, Manager.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

(VIA QUEENSTOWN.)
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAILS.

THE LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY will dispatch one of their first-class full-power iron screw steam-ships from

PIER NO. 46 NORTH RIVER, EVERY TUESDAY, as follows:

MINNESOTA, Capt. Breddon.....March 24, 10:30 A. M.
WYOMING, Capt. Guard.....March 31, 3 P. M.
NEVADA, Capt. Forsyth.....April 7, 9:15 A. M.
WISCONSIN, Capt. Freeman.....April 14, 3 P. M.
IDAHO, Capt. Moss.....April 21, 9:30 A. M.
MANHATTAN, Capt. Price.....April 28, 3 P. M.

Cabin passage, $80, gold.

Steerage passage, (Office No. 29 Broadway,) $30, currency.

For freight or cabin passage apply to

WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 62 Wall st.

ATLAS MAIL LINE.

BI-MONTHLY SERVICE TO HAYTI, VENEZUELA, CURACOA, MARACAIBO, JAMAICA, AND COLOMBIA.

First-class full-powered English-built iron screw steam-ships, from Pier No. 12 North River.

For HAYTI, CURACOA, VENEZUELA, and PORTO BICO.
CORINTH.....April 3
CLARIBEL.....April 24

For JAMAICA AND COLOMBIA.
ETNA.....March 24
ATLAS.....April 10

First-class passenger accommodation.

PIM, FOREWOOD & CO., Agents.
Nos. 56 Wall and 59 Pine sts.

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THE UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.

Regular mail steamers SAILING 2ND OF EVERY MONTH, making close connections at RIO DE JANEIRO with the English and French Mail Steam-ships for MONTEVIDEO and BUENOS AYRES.

The splendid steam-ship ONTARIO, Capt. Geo. B. Sisson, will sail from PIER No. 43 NORTH RIVER, on MONDAY, March 23, at 3 P. M., calling at ST. THOMAS, PARA, PERNAMBUCO, BAHIA, and RIO DE JANEIRO, going and returning.

First cabin passage to St. Thomas, $100; to Para, $150; to Pernambuco, $200; to Bahia, $210, and to Rio de Janeiro, $225, gold. Steerage half price. EXCURSION TICKETS, good for six months, at three quarters of above rates. Freights greatly reduced.

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NEW-YORK AND HAVANA DIRECT MAIL LINE.

These first-class steam-ships will sail every TUESDAY, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 13 North River, (foot of Cedar st.,) for Havana direct, as follows:

CRESCENT CITY, Capt. T. S. Curtis, March 17.
COLUMBUS, Capt. E. C. Reed, March 24.
MORRO CASTLE, Capt. Thos. H. Morton, March 31.

For freight or passage (having magnificent accommodations) apply to

WM. P. CLYDE & CO.,
No. 6 Bowling-green.

D. McKellar, Agent in Havana.
March 31, 1873.

RAILROADS.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

THE GREAT TRUNK LINE AND UNITED STATES MAIL ROUTE.

Trains leave New-York, from foot of Desbrosses and Cortlandt sts., as follows:

For Harrisburg, Pittsburg, the West and South, with Pullman palace cars attached, 9:30 A. M., 5 and 8:30 P. M. Sunday, 5 and 8:30 P. M.

For Williamsport, Lock Haven, Corry, and Erie, via Philadelphia and Erie Railroad Division, 7 P. M. For Williamsport, 9:30 A. M., connecting at Philadelphia.

For Baltimore, Washington, and the South, at 8:40 A. M., 3 and 9 P. M. Sunday, 9 P. M.

Express for Philadelphia, 8:40, 9:30, A. M., 12:30, 3, 4, 5, 5:30, 6:10, 7, 8, 9 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday, 5, 6:10, 8:30, and 9 P. M. Emigrant and second class, 7 P. M.

For Trenton at 7:20 A. M., 2, 3:10, and 6:10 P. M. Sunday 6:10 P. M.

For Newark at 6, 6:30, 7:20, 7:40, 8, 9, 10, 11 A. M., 12 M., 1, 2, 2:30, 3:10, 3:40, 4:10, 4:30, 5, 5:20, 5:40, 6, 6:10, 6:30, 7, 7:30, 8:10, 10, 11:30 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday 5:20, 6:10, and 8:10 P. M.

For Elizabeth, 6, 6:30, 7:20, 7:40, 8, 9, 10, 11 A. M., 12 M., 1, 2, 2:30, 3:10, 3:40, 4:10, 4:30, 5:20, 5:40, 6, 6:10, 6:30, 7:30, 8:10, 10, 11:30 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday 5:20, 6:10, and 8:10 P. M.

For Rahway, 6, 6:30, 7:20, 8, 10 A. M., 12 M., 1, 2, 2:30, 3:10, 3:40, 4:10, 4:30, 5:20, 5:40, 6, 6:10, 6:30, 7:30, 8:10, 10, 11:30 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday 6:10 P. M.

For New-Brunswick, 7:20 and 8 A. M., 12 M., 2, 3:10, 4:30, 5:20, 6:10, 7, P. M., and 12 night. Sunday 6:10 P. M.

For East Millstone, 12 noon, 3:10 and 4:30 P. M.

For Lambertville and Flemington, 9:30 A. M. and 3 P. M.

For Philipsburg and Belvidere, 3 and 4 P. M.

Accommodation for Bordentown, Burlington, and Camden, 7:20 and 9:30 A. M., 12:30, 2, 3:10, 4, and 6:10 P. M.

For Freehold, 7:20 A. M., 2 and 4 P. M.

For Farmingdale and Squan, 7:20 A. M. and 2 P. M.

For Bordentown and Camden, 9 A. M. and 2:30 P. M.

Trains to arrive as follows: From Pittsburg, 6:04 A. M., 12:35 and 7:35 P. M., daily; 11:55 A. M. daily, except Monday. From Washington and Baltimore, 6:08 2 A. M., 5:15 and 10:27 P. M. Sunday 6:05 A. M. and 10:27 P. M. From Philadelphia, 5:22, 6:05, 6:50, 10:15, 11:55 A. M., 2:15, 5:15, 6:05, 8:44, 10:27 P. M. Sunday 5:22, 6:05, 6:50, 11:55 A. M. and 10:27 P. M.

Ticket-offices, Nos. 526, 435, 271, and 944 Broadway, No. 1 Astor House, and foot of Desbrosses and Cortlandt sts. Emigrant Ticket-office, No. 8 Astor place.

A. J. CASSATT, D. M. BOYD, Jr.,
General Manager. General Passenger Agent.

NEW-YORK CENTRAL AND HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.—After Nov. 2, 1873, through trains will leave Grand Central Depot:

8:00 A. M., Chicago and Northern Express, with drawing-room cars through to Rochester and St. Albans.

10:30 A. M., special Chicago Express, with drawing-room cars to Rochester, Buffalo, &c.

10:45 A. M., Northern and Western Express.

3:40 P. M., Albany and Troy Express, Saturday only.

4:00 P. M., Montreal Express, with sleeping cars from New-York to St. Albans.

6:00 P. M., Express, daily, with sleeping cars for Watertown and Canadaigua.

8:00 P. M., Pacific Express, daily, with sleeping cars for Rochester, Buffalo, and Niagara Falls; also for Ohicago, via both L. S. and M. C. Railroads.

12:00 P. M., Express, with sleeping cars for Troy and Albany. ☞ No extra fare on any Local or Express Train.

C. E. KENDRICK, General Passenger Agent.

RAILROADS.

CENTRAL RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY.

ALLENTOWN LINE TO THE WEST.

Passenger and Freight Station in New-York, foot of Liberty st. Connects at Somerville, with South Branch Railroad; at Easton, Junction Bridge, with Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad; at Phillipsburg, with Lehigh and Susquehanna Division; also with Lehigh Valley Railroad. Direct line to Harrisburg, Pittsburg, and the West; also to Central Pennsylvania and New-York State.

WINTER ARRANGEMENT.

Commencing Dec. 1, 1873,—Leave New-York as follows:

8:15 A. M.—News Train for Easton, Bethlehem, Bath, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c.

6 A. M.—Way train for Plainfield.

7 A. M.—Way Train for Flemington, Easton, Belvidere, Mauch Chunk, Wilkesbarre, Pittston, Mahanoy City, Mount Carmel, Hazleton, Tunkhannock, Towanda, Waverly, &c. Connects at Junction with Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad.

9 A. M.—Morning Express, daily, (except Sundays,) for Easton, Allentown, Harrisburg, and the West. Connects at Somerville for Flemington, at Easton for Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, &c., with through cars to Danville, Williamsport, &c.

10:30 A. M.—Way Train for Somerville.

12:40 P. M.—Express for Flemington, Easton, Bath, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, Mahanoy City, Hazleton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Reading, Columbia, Lancaster, Ephrata, Pottsville, Harrisburg, &c.

2:30 P. M.—Way train for Easton, Allentown, and Belvidere.

3:30 P. M.—Way train for Plainfield.

4 P. M.—Way train for Easton, Allentown, and Mauch Chunk. Connects at Junction with Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad.

4:30 P. M.—Way train for Somerville and Flemington.

5 P. M.—Way train for Somerville.

5:15 P. M.—Way train for Plainfield.

5:30 P. M.—Evening Express, daily, for Easton, Belvidere, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Pittsburg, Chicago, &c.

6 P. M.—Way train for Somerville.

8:40 P. M.—For Plainfield.

9:30 P. M.—(Emigrant)—For Easton.

9:15 P. M.—Way train for Somerville.

11:45 P. M.—For Plainfield.

For Elizabeth at 6:15, 6, 8:40, 7, 7:30, 8, 8:45, 9, 9:30, 10:30, 11:15 A. M., 12 M., 12:30, 1, 2:30, 3, 3:30, 3:45, 4, 4:15, 4:30, 4:45, 5, 5:15, 5:30, 5:45, 6, 6:20, 8:40, 7:15, 7:30, 8:15, 9:15, 10:30, 11:45 P. M.

H. P. McKINS, Superintendent and Engineer.
H. P. BALDWIN, General Passenger Agent.

NEW-YORK, NEW-HAVEN AND HARTFORD RAILROAD.

After Jan. 1, 1874, trains leave Grand Central Depot (42d st.) for New-Canaan Railroad at 8:05 A. M. and 5:10 P. M.; Danbury and Norwalk Railroad at 8:05 A. M., 3 and 4:30 P. M.; Naugatuck Railroad at 8:05 A. M., 12 M., and 3 P. M.; Housatonic Railroad at 8:05 A. M. and 3 P. M.; New-Haven and Northampton Railroad at 8:05 A. M. and 3 P. M.; New-Haven, Middletown and Willimantic Railroad at 8:05 A. M. and 3 P. M.; Boston and Albany Railroad at 8:05 and 10 A. M., 3 and 8:10 P. M., (7 P. M. on Sundays;) Boston (via Shore Line) at 1 and 9:10 P. M. (9:10 P. M. on Sundays.)

Way trains as per local time tables.

J. M. GOODY, Superintendent New-York Division.
E. M. REED, General Superintendent, New-Haven.

SOUTH-SIDE RAILROAD.

NOTICE.

On and after March 2, 1874, trains will leave South 8th st., Brooklyn, as follows, Sundays excepted:

For Patchogue, and intermediate stations, at 9:30 A. M., and 4 P. M.

For Islip, an intermediate stations, at 9:30 A. M., and 4 and 5 P. M.

For Babylon, and intermediate stations, at 9:30 A. M., and 1:30, 4, 5, and 6 P. M.

For Merrick, and intermediate stations, at 9:30 A. M., and 1:30, 5, 6, and 7 P. M.

For Hempstead, Rockaway, and intermediate stations, at 9:30 A. M. and 4, 5, and 6 P. M.

Sunday trains leave Bushwick for Islip at 9 A. M.

GEO. F. CARMAN, Superintendent.

STEAMBOATS.

FOR BRIDGEPORT AND ALL POINTS ON the Housatonic and Naugatuck Railroad.—Fare, $1. Steamer Joseph Catharine sails at 12 noon.

NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD, AND THE NORTH.—Steamers leave Peck-slip for New-Haven at 3:15 and 11 P. M., (except Sundays,) connecting with road.

MUSICAL.

200 PIANOS AND ORGANS,

New and Second-hand, of First-class Makers, will be sold at Lower Prices for cash, or on Instalments, for the rents, during this month, by HORACE WATERS & SON, No. 481 Broadway, than ever before offered in New-York. Agents wanted for the sale of Waters' Celebrated Pianos, Concerts and Orchestral Organs. Illustrated Catalogues mailed. Great inducements to the trade. A large discount to Ministers, Churches, Schools, Lodges, &c.

4 LARGE STOCK OF PIANOS.

SQUARE AND UPRIGHT, to rent or sell cheap; rent allowed on purchases. Call at M. M. MERRELL'S, No. 8 Union square, No. 165 4th av.

LIGHTE & ERNST,—OLD HOUSE OF LIGHTE, Newton & Bradbury, established 1840, have removed to No. 12 East 14th st. Pianos for sale and to let cheap, also on easy monthly payments.

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FOR SALE—A FIRST-CLASS CHAMBER'S PIANO, round corners, extra molded, carved legs, perfect instrument, together with cover and handsome stool, for $250. Inquire at No. 56 East 125th st., New-York.

LEGAL NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW-York.—WILLIAM K. LOTHROP, Receiver of the Washington Insurance Company, against JANE W. McCUNN and Thomas McCunn, individually and as executors of and Trustees under the last will and testament of John H. McCunn, deceased; James M. Gano, individually and as executor of and Trustee under the last will and testament of John H. McCunn, deceased, and as collector or special administrator of the assets, choses and credits of said John H. McCunn, deceased, and Irene May Gano, his wife; Mary McCunn, wife of the said Thomas McCunn; James McCunn, and Matilda, his wife; Sarah Long, wife of Joseph Long, and the said Joseph Long; Nancy Barnett, wife of John Barnett, and the said John Barnett; Jane McCreo, wife of James McCreo, and the said James McCreo; Elizabeth McManus, wife of Matthew McManus, and the said Matthew McManus; George Hettrick; Margaret W. Hettrick; Martha Hettrick; Mary Hettrick; Sarah Hettrick; Laura Hettrick; Eliza Lee (or Mrs. Lee), widow of John Lee, deceased; Caroline M. Morgan; John K. Waring, and Mary his wife; John M. Gano; Jane W. Gano; Elizabeth Patterson, wife of William Patterson, and the said William Patterson; Catherine Bonner, wife of David Bonner, and the said David Bonner; William McManus, and Susan, his wife; John McManus, and Mary, his wife; Maccus Wilmarth, and Elizabeth, his wife; Elizabeth Martin, wife of James Martin, and the said James Martin; the people of the State of New-York; John A. King and Richard King, executors of the last will and testament of Mary King, deceased, and William H. Morgan, Sheriff of the City and County of New-York, Defendants.—Summons for Relief. (Com. not served.)—To the above-named defendants, and each of them: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the above-named court, at the Court-house, in the City of New-York, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscribers at their office, No. 59 Liberty street, in the City of New-York, within twenty days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.—Dated New-York, Jan. 2, 1874. MAY & PARSONS, Plaintiff's Attorneys.

No. 59 Wall street, New-York.

The complaint in the above-entitled action, was duly filed in the office of the City and County of New-York, at the County Court-house, in said City, on the 24 day of January, 1874.

MAY & PARSONS, Plaintiff's Attorneys.

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NEW-YORK SUPREME COURT—CITY AND County of New-York.—CHARLES O. GOODHUE and Charles S. Butler, as Trustees of Samuel F. Foster, plaintiffs, against NAFTALI K. ROSENFELD, Joseph Smith, Richard Thornton Wilson, George H. C. Salter and Ann Salter, his wife, (she being sued by the name of Ann Salter, her husband being joined with her as a party defendant,) and Albert H. Salter and Ann Salter, his wife, (she being sued by the name of Ann because the plaintiffs are ignorant of her real name,) defendants.—Summons.—For relief.—(Com. not pro.)—To the defendants named and each of them: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at the Court-house in the City of New-York, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint, on the subscribers, at their office, at No. 59 Wall street, in said City of New-York, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiffs in this action will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.—Dated New-York, Dec. 22, 1873.

EVARTS, SOUTHMAYD & CHOATE,
Plaintiffs' Attorneys.

The complaint in the above-entitled action was duly filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at the Court-house in said City, on the 23d day of December, 1873.

EVARTS, SOUTHMAYD & CHOATE,
Plaintiffs' Attorneys.

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SUPREME COURT, COUNTY OF NEW-YORK, State of New-York.—JOHN A. HARTCORN and MORRIS GRESHEL, plaintiffs, against HUGH SHIELDS, defendant.—Summons for relief.—To the defendant, Hugh Shields: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at his office in the new Court-house of the City and County of New-York, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscribers, at their office, No. 261 Broadway, New-York City, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiffs in this action will take judgment against you for the sum of one hundred and ninety-four dollars and forty-four cents, with interest from the 30th day of January, 1874, besides the costs of this action.—Dated New-York City, Jan. 10, 1874. WILLIAM STRAUSS,

Plaintiffs' Attorney, No. 261 Broadway, New-York City.

The complaint in the above-entitled action was duly filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at his office in the Court-house, in said City, on the 10th day of February, 1874.—Dated Feb. 10, 1874. WILLIAM STRAUSS,

f11-law6wW Plaintiffs' Attorney.

SUPREME COURT, CITY AND COUNTY OF New-York.—JULES G. TOURNADE and EMANUEL VIREMONDOY, plaintiffs, against ALPHONSE CALICE, as survivor of Calice Bros., defendant.—Summons for a money demand on contract.—(Com. not ser.)—To the above-named defendant: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which has this day been filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New-York, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscriber, at his office, No. 69 Liberty street, in the City of New-York, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiffs in this action will take judgment against you for the sum of twenty-nine hundred dollars and forty-six cents, with interest from the 31st day of December, 1873, besides the costs and disbursements of this action.—Dated New-York, Feb. 28, 1874.

MILTON WILSLOW, Plaintiff's Attorney.

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HORSES AND CARRIAGES.

ADVERTISEMENTS ARE RECEIVED FOR THE NEW-YORK TIMES
At the Times Up-Town Office,
No. 541 West 125d st., junction Broadway and 8th av.,
And the Times West-Side Office,
No. 308 West 23d st., corner of 8th av.
NO EXTRA CHARGE WHATEVER.

BOARDING AND LODGING.

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NO. 214 EAST 11TH ST., NEAR 3D AV., a choice of beautiful rooms, handsomely furnished, can be obtained with a private American family, with superior board; no moving in May. Also, table board. Call for one week.

NO. 122 EAST 22TH ST.—A HANDSOME THIRD-story room and hall room connecting, suitable for a family or party of gentlemen, to let with board; also, large room on parlor floor; hot and cold water; terms reasonable.

NO. 18 WEST 24TH ST.,

Near Madison square. Handsomely-furnished second story rooms, with or without board; small family; terms reasonable.

NO. 52 CLINTON PLACE.

Second floor, six rooms; also, third floor, four rooms, handsomely furnished, near 5th av., to let, with or without board; house and locality unexceptionable.

FURNISHED ROOMS.—NEWLY AND HANDsomely-furnished front room, on third floor, to let to a gentleman, without board; house first-class. No. 37 East 19th st., between Broadway and 4th av.

FIRST-CLASS BOARD—IN PRIVATE FAMILY, near 5th av., to a gentleman and wife, or party of adults; references exchanged. Address OWNER, Box No. 2,398 Post Office.

WE OFFER GREAT INDUCEMENTS TO families wishing elegantly furnished rooms, with good board, at Gran l Union Hotel, Park av. and 41st st. G. F. & W. D. GARRISON, Managers.

NO. 1 GRAMERCY PARK.

A lady about leaving for Europe wishes to dispose of a very desirable suite of rooms on second floor, front; best references given and required.

FIFTH AV., NO. 351, SECOND DOOR BELOW 34th st., elegant parlor floor; bath, closets, &c.; private table; fourth floor front and bedroom; terms moderate.

MME. ROBINSON, FROM NEWPORT, R. I., CAN now give two bedrooms and a parlor at reasonable rates to reliable people till May 1, with private table if desired. No. 14 East 31st st.

NO. 28 WEST 12TH ST., NEAR 5TH AV., with board, handsomely-furnished back room on second floor; sun exposure; for two gentlemen, or gentleman and wife.

NO. 28 EAST 20TH ST.

A large room, southern aspect; also, a small one to rent, with board, to one or two gentlemen.

FIFTH AV., NO. 164.

An entire floor to rent, six rooms.
Also, single room.

5TH AV., NO. 123.

Vacant rooms, with board, can be had at moderate prices on or before April 1.

THIRD FLOOR ROOM, HANDSOMELY FURnished, for gentleman and wife, with superior board. No. 33 West 33d st.

SUMMER RESORTS.

PARTIES WISHING SUPERIOR FIRST-CLASS boarding accommodations for the Summer at Newport, R. I., can make arrangements with Mme. ROBINSON, for the above, at her residence, No. 14 East 31st st., New-York City.

RIVERDALE, ON HUDSON.—DESIRABLE rooms, with board, by the year or season; house and appointments thoroughly first class; unexceptionable reference given and required. For particulars apply at No. 135 Madison av., New-York.

ROUND HILL HOTEL, NORTHAMPTON, MASS. "Truly the PARADISE OF AMERICA."—*Jenny Lind. A. D. 1852.* Send stamp for Tourists' Guide.

C. BANTA, Assistant Supt. IRAD FULLER, Supt.

BOARD WANTED.

COUNTRY BOARD WANTED.—A SINGLE gentleman desires board from May 1 in a pleasant private family on the East River or Sound, where there are bathing and boating, and not more than one hour from Madison square; willing to pay fairly for superior quarters. Address ALPHEUS, Box No. 2,408 New-York Post Office.

WANTED—FROM APRIL 1, BY A SINGLE GENtleman, a parlor and bedroom, with breakfast only, in a quiet, private family. It will be permanent if suited; the highest reference given and required; location preferred in vicinity of Union or Madison square. Address, stating terms, BEECHAM, Box No. 3,739 New-York Post Office.

AUCTION SALES.

EXTENSIVE MANUFACTURERS' SALE OF

SILVER-PLATED WARE AT AUCTION.

SIMPSON, HALL, MILLER & CO.,

No. 19 John st.,

About to remove to their new store, No. 676 Broadway, will offer their entire stock of silver-plated ware at No. 19 John st. for sale at auction on WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY, and SATURDAY, March 18, 19, 20, and 21. Sale to commence each day at 10 o'clock A. M. A rare opportunity is now offered to dealers, hotel proprietors, housekeepers, and steam-ship owners to lay in their supplies. The assortment embraces every article in the line known to the trade, including tea sets, coffee urns, salvers, cake baskets, butter-dishes, plated table cutlery, casters, ice pitchers, goblets, fruit dishes, tureens, vases, napkin rings, water coolers, &c., &c., &c., all manufactured in their own works in Wallingford, Conn., and warranted extra heavily plated and first class in every respect.

BARGAINS IN

FURNITURE.

The undersigned respectfully calls the attention of his friends and the public generally to his large and elegant stock of furniture, which he is offering at greatly

LOCAL MISCELLANY.

THE RIVERSIDE AVENUE BILL.

A LETTER FROM MAYOR HAVEMEYER TO GOV. DIX.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW-YORK, March 17, 1874.

Hon. John A. Dix, Governor of the State of New-York:

DEAR SIR: The legacy of debt left to this City by the frauds and mismanagement of the late Tammany Ring, and the statutes passed by them still in force calling annually for large expenditures make it absolutely necessary that the City should have the full benefit of every safeguard that can be provided by statute against wastefulness and extravagance.

One of the most fruitful sources of wastefulness is the doing City work by day's work or private contract, instead of giving it out by public contract, after due advertisement, to the lowest bidder.

I have received continual complaints of persons owning property in the neighborhood of this work of the loose and careless manner in which this work is performed, perhaps from unfaithful supervision, and perhaps from collusion. As these days' works are done under the eyes of those who are to be assessed for their cost, it excites a disposition to avoid payment, and throws a burden of debt upon the City at large. There is already sufficient laxity in this respect to respond to their share of the cost of improvements, even when made in the most economical and judicious manner, and no system should be adopted to weaken the equitable as well as legal right of the City to impose and collect assessments, as must necessarily be the case when the work is improvidently and wastefully done.

Another source of corruption and wastefulness is that when a department of the City Government refuses to be made a mere tool of politicians, but is managed in the interest of the public at large and the tax-payers, it is threatened with the transfer by act of Legislature of its legitimate powers and duties to some other department that is willing to subserve private and partisan interests.

Senate bill No. 90, entitled "An act to alter the map or plan of the City of New-York, and for the improvement of certain streets, roads, and avenues, and public places therein," combines all of these objectionable features. The streets and avenues bordering the parks above Fifty-ninth street are in effect, if properly treated, practically a part of the parks, and should be made to harmonize in plan and construction with the parks and be planned and constructed by the same department that plans and constructs the parks. This principle was adopted last year in the charter, and by section 93, last clause, the Department of Public Works, that has charge of all the other streets and avenues in the City, is excluded from these bordering streets, amounting in length in all to fifteen miles; and these same streets were, by section 83 of the charter, first paragraph, put with the parks under the management and control of the Department of Public Parks. Then by section 91 of the charter all work for the City above $1,000 is required to be given out by contract after public notice to the lowest bidder, and by chapter 380 of the laws of 1873, passed after the charter, though introduced before the Department of Public Parks, is given the power to plan, though not to construct. Now, Senate bill No. 90 proposes to destroy all these wise and safe provisions of law established last year.

1. By section 3 it takes away from the Department of Parks the power to construct the fifteen miles of streets bordering the Park, and transfers it to the Department of Public Works—a department that is already overloaded, having in its control over 300 miles of streets, roads, and avenues, and forty miles of Croton aqueduct, all the reservoirs, and hundreds of miles of Croton water pipes and sewers, sites, and buildings engaged in ornamental or decorative work, such as is required on the streets and avenues bordering the parks, and such as the Department of Parks is doing. This transfer is, in my judgment, wrong in principle and against the interests not only of the City, but of the whole public that come to the City.

2. Section 3 in the third, fourth, eighth, and ninth lines break up the contract system so wisely established in section 9 of the charter, and authorizing all the work on this whole fifteen miles of streets and avenues, and on 210 abutting pieces of streets and avenues, each 250 feet in length, making twenty-five miles in all, to be done in any manner one man, the head of the Department of Public Works, may deem expedient. This work in all amounts to some ten millions of dollars.

This is simply re-establishing the old Ring powers and the Ring system of doing public work, and the only reason for doing it is to use the City Treasury and the tax-property of the tax-payers for the purpose of private speculation or partisan aggrandizement.

The property of the City forbids, in my judgment, the return to that system, a system fraught only with corruption and wastefulness.

The Department of Parks, except for a short time when under Ring rule, has given, and is now giving, general satisfaction. By the three words "or referred to" in line two of section 3 of the bill, twelve miles of streets and avenues are transferred from the control of this Department to that of Works, and the contract system broken up. One not familiar with the map of the City would scarcely suspect the millions of expense to the City involved in these three words. Such an obscure and disingenuous use of words in a law affecting so large interests belongs to a system of legislation in vogue before your Excellency became Governor, and which you, happily for the State, have done much to check.

There are also very grave objections to sections 2 and 4 of the bill. Section 1 is wholly unnecessary, since it is in substance a copy of section 1 of said chapter 880 of the laws of last year.

You will pardon me for addressing this communication to you. I desire to get the facts before the Senate, and, knowing your great interest in good government for this City as well as for the whole State, I take the liberty of communicating with you in the hope that in some proper way the Legislature may be advised in their action.

Very respectfully,
WM. F. HAVEMEYER, Mayor.

COUNSEL TO THE COMMISSIONERS OF TAXES.

J. Solis Ritterband, in 1871, by resolution of the Board of Supervisors, was appointed counsel to the Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments, at an annual salary of $10,000. In 1871 the Board of Apportionment cut his salary down to $6,000, under a provision of the statute authorizing them to reduce all salaries of over $5,000 twenty per cent. Mr. Ritterband in 1872 applied to the Board of Audit then in existence, to audit his claim for the four last months of 1871, at the original amount, making the sum of $3,333 33. This application was rejected, and soon thereafter the new Board of Estimate and Apportionment was appointed under the act of 1873. Application was then made to that board to audit the claim in accordance with the original amount of $10,000 per annum, which application was also refused, not only on the ground that the salary had been properly reduced from $10,000 to $6,000, but that the audit of those old claims had not legitimately descended to the present board but to the Finance Department. Under these circumstances application was made to the court for a writ of mandamus to compel the Board of Audit and Apportionment to audit and allow Mr. Ritterband's claim according to the amount as fixed by the Board of Supervisors, and an additional mandamus to compel the Controller to pay the amount as thus allowed.

Judge Sedgwick yesterday rendered a decision on the motion, holding that the present Board of Estimate and Apportionment legally inherit the powers of audit conferred on its predecessor, so far as claims against the County are concerned, but not as to claims against the City, and that the reduction of Mr. Ritterband's salary from $10,000 to $6,000 was legal and valid.

THE BANKRUPT LAW.

The following petition against the repeal of the fifty per cent. clause in the Bankrupt law is being circulated among business men for signature:

To the Honorable House of Representatives of the United States:

We, the undersigned, hereby pray that no modification shall be made of section 33 of the Bankrupt law, known as the fifty per cent. clause, for the following reasons:

1. Its modification or repeal would be an inducement to reckless speculation; for an insolvent speculator would always know that he had everything to gain in a speculation and nothing to lose, for he could then get a discharge by merely filing a petition in bankruptcy.

2. Because its repeal or modification would tend to diminish the dividends received from insolvent estates, which are already scanty enough.

3. Because its repeal or modification would lead to fictitious and fraudulent failures, whereby rascals, operating upon the well-known apprehensions of creditors, arising from the general scantiness of dividends, obtain fraudulent settlements by concealing a portion of their assets.

4. Because rascals and knaves always avail themselves of every law to get rid of their obligations, and the facility with which assets can be concealed, and the expense and difficulty of unraveling fraud, give them great chances for success.

5. Because the fifty per cent. clause tends to promote prudence and caution in business and to check overtrading.

6. Because the fifty per cent. clause, during the recent panic, prevented fraudulent failures and diminished its evils through the prudence and caution which had been required of traders prior to the panic.

7. Because honesty and public policy require that the sanctity of the obligations of contracts shall not be fostered, and every law tending to impair that has a pernicious effect upon the morals of the community.

8. Because no Bankrupt law is better than a law without the fifty per cent. clause.

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE OF A YOUNG GIRL.

Thomas Cummings, aged twenty-nine, of Canillus, Onandaga County, N. Y., the Captain of an Erie canal-boat, was yesterday arraigned before Judge Kasmire at the Harlem Police Court to answer a charge of abduction. The complainant, Mr. August Hoffman, of No. 607 West Forty-sixth street, alleges that on Wednesday last his daughter, Henrietta, aged eight years, while playing on the dock at the foot of the street named with another little girl, named Elisabeth Hilderbrand, was persuaded by Cummings to go on board his canal-boat, since which time she has not been seen or heard from, although her parents have searched for her day and night. The missing girl's companion, Hilderbrand, was yesterday morning taken to Whitehall slip, by Officer Clark, where Cummings was recognized by her and arrested. The prisoner, who is an intelligent and apparently respectable man, admits that his boat laid at the foot of West Forty-sixth street at the time mentioned, and that he was engaged there all day, but he denies all knowledge of the missing girl. He was committed in default of $2,000 bail.

THE PROPOSED ABATTOIR.

The hearing before the Board of Health in reference to the adoption of a proposed ordinance prohibiting the slaughtering of animals within the City limits below One Hundred and Tenth street, except in one vast abattoir, to be located on the west side of the town, between Fifty-seventh and Sixty-third streets and Eleventh and Thirteenth avenues, was resumed yesterday. There were present Prof. Chandler, Drs. Smith and Vanderpoel, Hugh Gardner, President of the Board of Police; Mr. L. L. Delafield, counsel to the Roosevelt Hospital; Mr. Levi Samuels, President of the East-side Butchers' Association; Col. Fordham Morris, of Westchester County, and a large number of butchers and others interested in the business of slaughtering.

Mr. Levi Samuels stated that he had expected that Mr. Jackson S. Schultz would be present to express his views on the proposed change to the board, but that gentleman was absent in Albany. Mr. Schults had told him that the proposed removal of the butchers from the site they now occupied, and where they had been located by the Metropolitan Board of Health, was certainly a breach of faith toward the persons interested, and if the board would grant another hearing on Tuesday next, Mr. Schultz would positively appear and give his views in the matter.

A memorial was presented on behalf of G. W. Seymour & Co., proprietors of the Hudson River Sheep Yards, at the foot of West Forty-eight street, protesting against any action of the board removing them from their present location. The memorial stated that the sheep yards had been built in 1869 at a cost of over $150,000, and had large wharfage attached for the loading and unloading of stock. They were admirably located for their purpose, and no better place could be selected than they at present occupy. The memorial concluded by praying that if the board decided to enforce the removal the proprietors should have at least two or three years' time to settle up their business and dispose of their property, so that it should not prove an entire loss to them and accomplish their financial ruin.

Mr. L. L. Delafield, in behalf of the Roosevelt Hospital, presented a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Faculty of that institution, protesting in the strongest terms against the erection of an abattoir in the vicinity of the hospital. This resolution was signed by Drs. Alonzo Clark, Willard Parker, Gardon Buck, Thos. M. Markoe, Sr. Gaillard Thomas, Henry B. Sands, Wm. H. Draper, Robert F. Weir, Erskine Mason, and Francis Delafield. Mr. Delafield said that he would call the attention of the Board of Health to the fact that in 1868 they had enforced the removal of the butchers to the district north of Fortieth street, and would now remind them that Fifty-seventh street is now nearer the heart of the City than Fortieth street was six years ago. The passage of the ordinance would certainly show bad faith toward the east-side butchers. The whole thing was apparently cut and dried, and since the last hearing he had learned the secret history of the exception in the proposed ordinance in favor of an abattoir below One Hundred and Tenth street. It appears that John B. Dutcher, Alton & Moore purchased the property between Fifty-seventh and Fifty-third streets, on Eleventh avenue, from John Paine and Wm. T. Blodgett, for the formation of a large stock-yard. A company was formed, of which Wm. Laler was President, but this company failed to carry out its contract. Vanderbilt heard of the failure, and seeing an opportunity for putting an end to the rivalry of the New-Jersey Railroad, stepped in and purchased the property. This was for the purpose of securing to himself the business of cattle-freighting, which was gradually slipping away from the New-York Central and Hudson River Railroads, by the erection of an immense abattoir, with cattle-yards, sheep-pens, &c., and so have the monopoly of slaughtering. The largest cattle dealers in the United States, and probably in the world, Morris Waixel & Co., of Chicago, were sending all their cattle to Communipaw now, and Vanderbilt was endeavoring to grasp this monopoly, without regard to devastating one of the fairest sections of our great City. He acquitted the board of connection with the scheme of the great monopolist, but the public would not, and he asked the board if they were prepared to bear this odium, and lose public confidence by furthering the interests of a soulless corporation. He had already heard the remark frequently repeated, "How much is there in it?" and he hoped the board, now that the facts were before them, would act justly in the matter. Sooner or later the business of slaughtering would be removed beyond the City limits, and was it fair to the butchers to remove now to a location from which the public interests would require them to remove in a few years? What should be done, in his opinion, was to give the butchers ample time to arrange their business to remove from the City, to close all isolated establishments, and to establish a stricter supervision over the establishments at present in existence.

Prof. Chandler stated that the board would take the matter into due consideration, and as soon as they had agreed on a report the parties interested would be notified, and would have another opportunity of discussing the report of the board.

THE KINGS COUNTY CHARITY BILLS.

The Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors met yesterday morning, Supervisor Ropes in the chair, for the purpose of considering the bills of the Charity Commissioners. On taking up those for out-door relief, Supervisor Ropes objected to their passage by the committee because they were not bills of items. The law of 1847 and 1871 provided that no bill shall be audited by any board of town officers unless made out in items. These bills were not in compliance with the law and should not be passed. Supervisor Fisher asked if the bills had not been already audited by the County Auditor or the Superintendent of the Poor, who were authorized to pass such bills. Supervisor Ropes did not care whether they had been or not; they had no authority or not. It was enough for him to know that he was called upon to say whether the bills were made in conformity to law. He did not believe they were, and he proposed to reject them in toto until such time as they should be properly made, giving all items furnished by these persons to the poor in detail. He accordingly moved that they be rejected or laid over. Supervisor Fisher thought it would be impossible for many of these bills to be itemized. He would vote to lay the bills over for investigation, but not to reject them entirely. The motion was accordingly modified and passed. Supervisor Fisher moved that all bills hereafter shall be accompanied by full details before being passed by the board; carried. The amount of the bills sent in by the Board of Charities was $12,000.

ST. DAVID'S BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

The St. David's Benevolent Society held its annual meeting on the 16th inst. The Treasurer's report showed that the Society had received $326 73 during the past year, and had expended in relief $306 60. The total amount of the funds on hand was $3,517. It was suggested that the Welsh residents of New-York should be induced to contribute to the society, and thus aid in the works of charity to which it is devoted, which are mainly directed to the relief of widows and orphans. Donations for this object will be received by Henry N. Morgan, Treasurer, No. 87 Warren street, or by William Miles, President of the Sixpenny Savings Bank, Astor Place. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: John L. Davies, President; T. M. James and Owen Roberts, Vice Presidents; William R. Martin, Receiving Secretary; H. N. Morgan, Treasurer; John Evans, Corresponding Secretary; Rev. Frederick Evans, Chaplain; S. D. Thomas, Counsel: John Jenkins, M. D., Physician.

MORE CANDIDATES FOR THE POLICE COMMISSIONERSHIP.

The withdrawal of Mr. Andrews has resulted in bringing out the previous candidates for Police Commissioner. The name of Mr. John J. Townsend, Wm. Wetmore, Wm. J. Falconer, and others were mentioned in connection with the office yesterday, but the Mayor said he had nothing to communicate about a future nomination. Some of the politicians who frequent the City Hall assert that Gen. Jones will be nominated, while others are of the opinion that Mr. Townsend will be selected. John Foley is said to be an aspirant for the position, but his chances are considered very slim.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

The members of the New-York Sunday-school Teachers' Association held their regular meeting at the Fulton Street Church yesterday afternoon, which was devoted to an explanation of lessons and methods of Sunday-school instruction. At the meeting yesterday Rev. Alfred Taylor presided, who, in the course of his remarks, gave a clear and systematic view of the manner of Sunday-school instruction. Mr. Van L. Ennep followed in explanation of points in the lesson.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE COMMUNE.

The French exiles in this City, who participated in the revolution of the Paris Commune, and who have formed here a Société des Réfugiés de la Commune, will celebrate the third anniversary of the revolution of the 18th of March by a banquet and ball at the Germania Assembly Rooms to-night. The proceeds of the affair are to go toward a fund in aid of the widows and orphans of the deceased and executed members of the Commune.

THE CHALLIS-WOODHULL LIBEL SUIT.

The civil suit brought by Luther C. Challis against Tennie C. Claflin and her journalistic associates was called on for trial in Circuit, Part II., of the Supreme Court, yesterday. It appearing that the suit was one to recover damages for libel, Judge Van Brunt ordered that it be transferred to the Marine Court, under a statute providing for such transfer among other suits of this character.

CASTLE GARDEN AFFAIRS.

COMMISSIONER HURLBURT'S EXPLANATIONS.

POSITION OF THE EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD DEFINED—REMOVALS AND APPOINTMENTS.

The regular weekly meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Emigration was held at Castle Garden yesterday afternoon, President Henry A. Hurlburt, in the chair, and Commissioners Forrest, Kaufman, Lynch, Quintard, Stephenson, and Starr present. After the receipt of committee reports, the President of the board arose and addressed his colleagues as follows:

GENTLEMEN: Before proceeding further with the regular order of business, permit me to call your attention to an article which appeared in one of the newspapers of this City on the 10th inst., signed by Mr. Willy Wallach, an Ex-Commissioner of Emigration. Mr. Wallach notices the fact that South Carolina and other Southern States are offering liberal inducements to German emigrants to settle within their borders, and among other things says: "It will only require a hearty co-operation on the part of our Commissioners of Emigration to convince the surplus population of Germany that our resources are not yet exhausted, that we have still large tracts of the richest land unsettled, and we are not simply willing to receive all who will come, but heartily invite them to come, and to share with us all the advantages of our free institutions and our material prosperity. Unfortunately, our present Commissioners of Emigration do not seem to share this popular sentiment, but appear rather inclined to discourage emigration from Germany, and to revive the obnoxious and narrow-minded Know-nothing agitation in that quarter. The treatment of the President of the German society, the legitimate representative of the German element in the State Board of Emigration, by his fellow-Commissioners, will hardly admit of any other explanation. The President of the said society was deprived of the right to vote on the removal and the appointment of officers by an act of our last Legislature. The selection of proper persons as officers of the Emigration Commission is of great importance to the welfare of the arriving emigrant, because they are the persons he has to deal with, and has to look for advice or assistance, and it is certainly necessary that a proportionate number of these employes should be able to understand and to speak the language of the people who are placed under their charge. The efforts of the President of the German Society were, therefore, always directed toward securing the retention or the appointment of a sufficient number of German-speaking officials, and they had no difficulty in accomplishing this object until the commission was placed under the control of professional politicians, who wanted every office for their friends and partisans, and could or would not listen to any criticism of their candidates. Hence the squabbling in the board and the pressure of the above-mentioned act." I am surprised that any gentleman who has ever occupied so responsible and honorable a position as that of Commissioner of Emigration could be induced to give currency to such gross misstatements of facts as are here subscribed to by Mr. Willy Wallach. I believe I may safely say that no previous board has done so much in defending the interests of the present board has done to encourage the settlement of emigrants in the South. Early in November last this board sent Rev. Robert Neumann, a German clergyman, into the Southern States to seek employment for emigrants who might desire to settle in that section. He would otherwise have been in charge upon the board. He spent considerable time in South Carolina, holding meetings, and calling attention to the matter through the press, the pulpit, and other ways. The appointment on the part of the Governor of property be attributed in a large degree to his efforts. As a result of his visit nearly 1,000 persons have found comfortable homes at remunerative wages in that State. Of this number, the board paid the passage of 316 persons who travelled to the South without any support them until employment could be found for them here. It is easy to find fault, and another way to criticize us for doing too much in paying their passage. But so far as I am concerned, I have done in these premises what I thought right, and for the benefit, not for myself, and I think I can with equal truthfulness for the board, that Mr. Wallach is entirely mistaken when he charges "that our present Commissioners of Emmigration do not seem to share this popular sentiment, but appear rather inclined to discourage emigration from Germany and to revive the narrow-minded Know-nothing agitation." I have no sympathy with the Know-nothings, if I correctly understand their views, and no prejudices against virtuous and industrious foreigners of any nationality, and I have not seen the slightest evidence of any such prejudice on the part of the board. The charge is unfounded and unjust. But Mr. Wallach attempts to support his charge by a reference to the position assigned to the President of the German society on the committees of the board. In reference to that matter, I alone am responsible for the committees, and it is due to myself to say that the question of nationality did not enter into the consideration at all. The present board came into office by an act of the Legislature, passed on the 27th of April, 1873. That act provided for six Commissioners of Emigration, to be appointed by the Governor and Senate, and three *ex-officio* members, the Mayor of New-York, and the President of the Irish Emigrant Society, and the President of the German Emigrant Society. The present board were in no way responsible for this Legislation, and so far as I am concerned, had no knowledge of the matter till I was asked by the Governor to accept the office of Commissioner. I have been informed, and Mr. Wallach, who was himself a member of the last board, admits as much, that the act reorganizing the commission was demanded by considerations of reform. The old board was suspected had suffered from its contact with the late Tammany Ring. It was supposed that its appointees were generally no better than they should be, and that most, if not all of them, were Ring Democrats, or Republicans of no better standing. Changes were expected at the hands of this board—not such changes as would make the board and its employes politically partisan, but such changes as would be in the interest of economy and of reform, and at the same time correct the impression that they were partisans of the late Democratic Ring. For this reason the Commissioners, upon whom the right to vote upon appointments and removals from office was conferred, are responsible. Neither of the Presidents are, and it was not intended that they should be, for they were denied the right of voting upon such questions. I did not make the list, but it is my duty to execute it fairly and faithfully. Last June I appointed the several standing committees of the board, and I placed the names of the Presidents of the two societies on all the committees. I did this because I thought their experience would be useful to the board, and I put several of the Commissioners appointed by the Governor on only one committee. For instance, Mr. Quintard, Mr. Stephenson, and Mr. Starr were placed on only one committee. They have now acquired a knowledge of the affairs of the board, and I have placed greater responsibility on their shoulders and less on the shoulders of the Presidents of the societies. They are each on one committee, and because I have not placed them on all committees Mr. Wallach expects that I am a narrow-minded Know-nothing, and opposed to German emigration. What was I then when I put Stephenson, Quintard, and Starr on only one committee each? Could anything be more absurd? This is not, in fact, an English, French, German, or foreign board. It is a board of officers of the State of New-York, appointed to protect and care for emigrants of all nationalities who may be landed at this port, and at the same time to do what it can to encourage the virtuous and industrious, and to discourage the idle and vicious from coming, and thus protect the people of the State against pauperism and crime. These are my duties and yours, as I understand it. And in the appointment of both committees, I have endeavored to so constitute them, without disrespect to either of the two Presidents, or to the societies which they represent, as to accomplish these results, and at the same time place the responsibility for the honest and economical administration of the affairs of the Board where the law places it, with the Commissioners appointed by the Governor and Senate.

The address of the President was, on motion, received and placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Forrest it was then resolved that any officer who should absent himself from duty longer than one day, without previous permission from the President, should be considered to have resigned his office.

On motion of Mr. Starr it was resolved that no boarding-house runners should be allowed within Castle Garden, but that widows dependent upon this means for support should be permitted to solicit boarders within the grounds.

Following the resolutions came a discussion of alleged extravagance in the administration of affairs, and Mr. Starr moved that Mr. E. B. Cooney, Clerk in the Ward's Island Bureau, be dismissed. Mr. Kaufman moved that the meeting adjourn, and subsequently Messrs. Forrest, Kaufman, and Lynch withdrew from the meeting. The members of the board remaining then voted that the following dismissals be made, to take effect after April 1 prox.: Lorenzo Cantador, Deputy Superintendent, salary $3,000; Alex. McDonald, Clerk of Irish Society, salary $1,000; E. Schmiedberg, Clerk of German Society, salary $1,000; Charles Brice, Overseer of Labor, salary $1,500; Charles Kuchenbecker, clerk in Labor Bureau, salary, $1,200; John J. Marselius, messenger in Information Bureau, salary $600; John H. Brandt, Letter and Notice Clerk, salary $1,000; Richard Van Poser, Chief Clerk Ward's Island Bureau, salary $1,800; E. B. Cooney, Clerk in Ward's Island Bureau, salary $1,000; J. H. Stanton, Clerk in Ward's Island Bureau, salary $1,200; John J. Ruete, Clerk in Landing Bureau, salary $1,200; two night watchers, salary $219 50 each; nine helpers in nursery and vessel in Ward's Island Bureau, salaries $60 each; John Kiernan, carpenter, salary $3 50 per diem; six policemen of Ward's Island, salaries $1,174 92; total amount of reduction, $18,048 92.

On motion of Mr. Starr, the following transfers and appointments were made: George Gardner, Chief Clerk, Ward's Island Bureau, vice Richard Van Poser, removed; Walter H. Smith, Clerk, Ward's Island Bureau; Boarding Officers W. B. Strong and George B. Martine, transferred from Staten Island Boarding Station, to report at Castle Garden; the Staten Island Station to be abolished.

Commissioner Stephenson recommended the appointment of Francis Goodwin as Chief Clerk at Ward's Island, and appointment of an assistant inspector, hospital clerk, and matron. Adopted. August Wagner was appointed telegraph operator at Ward's Island.

It is important to state in this connection that Commissioners Forrest, Lynch, and Kaufman refused to sanction the removals named above on the ground that the whole matter of these removals had been referred to the Castle Garden Committee, which committee had not yet made a report. The question will now arise as to whether there was a quorum present when the removals above noted were made. The law passed in 1873 creating the Board of Commissioners provides that the Presidents of the Irish and German Emigration Committees respectively shall be *ex officio* members of the board without right to vote on appointments or removals. Mr. Kaufman is President of the German Emigration Committee and Mr. Lynch of the Irish Emigration Committee.

Mr. Stephenson had a list of reductions in salaries of clerks to present for consideration, but did not offer the same on account of the withdrawal of Commissioners Lynch, Forrest, and Kaufman, who were entitled to vote on the reductions.

NEW-YORK MEDICAL COLLEGE FOR WOMEN.

The New-York Medical College held its eleventh annual Commencement last evening at Association Hall. In the absence of Mrs. Connolly, President of the Board of Trustees, the chair was occupied by Mrs. Edward Bayard, Vice President, and the entire Faculty of the College, male and female, was well represented. The order of exercises incidental to the occasion was considerably varied, and comprised a good deal of excellent music which was furnished by a detachment of Gilmore' Twenty-second Regiment Band. Mrs. C. S. Lozier, M. D. Dean of the college, read the eleventh annual announcement, which pronounced the medical education of women to be no longer a debatable question, but a fact accomplished and accepted as such by those who were at first its strongest opponents. When the question of the professional education of women was first agitated, the medical colleges of the country were closed against them, and, with a few exceptions, so remain. It therefore became necessary to establish a medical college especially for their instruction. Hospital advantages were at first denied them, and finally procured with difficulty, but not without being subjected to many annoyances, so that it was decided to supplement the college with a hospital and dispensary. All this, the announcement or report stated, had been accomplished, and not merely this: The college had been thoroughly equipped with every material and apparatus requisite for medical instruction, and the requirement of every department had been fully provided for. Each year had afforded increased opportunities for the clinical study of disease. There was a continuous supply of cases illustrating every variety of diseases of women and children. The obstetric ward was always full, and every student was required to become expert in these cases. In surgery there had been the utmost variety of operations, and the students had had opportunities of witnessing and assisting in ovariotomy, amputations, plastic operations, the extirpation of tumors, and other operations. Besides these special cases, the more common forms of disease had been illustrated by frequent clinical examples, which had been examined and treated before the class. At the conclusion of the report Rev. Dr. Armitage delivered an address on the subject of Christianity in relation to the healing art. Some musical selections were then furnished by the band, after which Prof. T. F. Allen, M. D., on behalf of the Trustees of the college, conferred the degree of doctor on seven young ladies who had completed the course. They were presented by Miss Mary A. Clapp, of Boston, one of the graduating students. There was then some further music, after which came a valedictory address on the part of the Faculty by Charles A. Avery, LL. D., Professor of Chemistry. The proceedings were brought to a termination by the benediction.

COMMERCIAL FAILURES.

Frederick A. Bailey, book-keeper for the firm Badeau, Lockwood & Co., importers and wholesale dealers in fruit, corner of Park place and Greenwich street, disappeared quite mysteriously on Wednesday evening last. Subsequent examination into his accounts developed the fact that he was a defaulter to a large amount, and upon an examination by an expert it was shown that Bailey had been defrauding the firm systematically for a period of two or three years. The amount of the defalcation could not be readily estimated yesterday, though it may reach or exceed $100,000. The firm state that their loss will be made known as soon as the examination into their books is concluded, which will be in the course of a few days. Messrs. Badeau, Lockwood & Co. continued to pay their bills up to Monday last, when it was deemed prudent to suspend until the amount of their loss was fully ascertained. The firm, although obliged to suspend, claim to be solvent, and say they will, no doubt, be able to pay dollar for dollar on their indebtedness. F. A. Bailey, the absconding book-keeper, is a native of Middletown, N. Y., and has been in the employ of Messrs. Badeau, Lockwood & Co. for eight or nine years.

For the past three years he has been their principal book-keeper, and possessed the fullest confidence of his employers. He is quite a young man, not over twenty-five years of age, and has a wife, two children, and a widowed mother dependent upon him for support, and who are now reported to be in almost destitute circumstances. Young Bailey, it is thought, lost his money by minor speculations and by gambling. His family are said to have lived comfortably on West Forty-second street, and to have enjoyed none of the benefits of the money squandered. For some weeks past Bailey is reported to have kept irregular hours, often reaching his home after 2 o'clock in the morning. It is thought that Bailey has fled the country. His widowed mother and wife are plunged in the deepest grief, and it is feared the former cannot survive the shock to her system by the announcement of her son's guilt.

The ruinous yesterday morning of the failure of the firm of W. A. Ellis & Co., of No. 44 Frankfort street, leather-dealers, proved on inquiry to be true. The store in Frankfort street was closed up, and in possession of the Sheriff. Mr. W. A. Ellis had departed for places unknown, before making the visit it is alleged that he did realize considerable sums from money-brokers on his consignments and other negotiable paper. The firm were importers of hides from Texas, and sold in this market, so that their liabilities to the trade was trifling. The partner of Mr. Ellis has been sick for some time, and is not held responsible for the bad faith of Ellis.

TERRIBLE TRAGEDY IN BROOKLYN.

On returning from work last evening, Mr. Francis Bidwell, of No. 148 Twenty-third street, Brooklyn, found his wife lying on a bed with her throat cut from ear to ear. The deceased, who was thirty years of age, had a razor in one hand and a small looking-glass in the other when she was discovered by her husband. Mr. Bidwell is unable to assign any cause for his wife's suicide, as they lived happy together. Mrs. Bidwell has never exhibited any signs of insanity, but for some days back she has been, without any apparent cause, very much depressed in spirits. The Bidwells lived alone in the house, and it is probable the unfortunate woman committed the rash act early in the day, as the body was quite cold. The room presented a terrible appearance when the husband entered. The bed, bed-clothes, and carpet were saturated with blood. Bidwell notified the Police of the Eighth Precinct, who took charge of the body and notified the Coroner. The husband's story of the affair is the only one at present in the possession of the Police, but a strict investigation into all the circumstances of the case will be made to-day.

A BURGLAR SHOT.

About 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning Mr. Charles E. Cook, who resides at No. 90 Frelinghuysen avenue, Newark, N. J., was awakened by hearing a burglar moving about the house. He seized a revolver, and went down stairs very carefully, but the burglar heard him, and ran out into the yard. Mr. Cook opened the window and fired two shots at the fugitive, neither of which took effect. He then followed him into the yard, and as the burglar was in the act of scaling the fence fired again, the ball striking him in the shoulder. The burglar yelled with the pain of the wound, and fell to the ground. He succeeded in picking himself up again, however, and making his escape before Mr. Cook could reach him. The latter, on re-entering the house, found about $200 worth of silverware, which he subsequently learned had been stolen from Willis Stevenson's house on Broad street. Later in the day the burglar was discovered in a house on Howard street, where he had taken refuge, and removed to Police Head-quarters, where he gave his name as William Snyder. A physician was summoned, who expressed the opinion that the ball had passed downward and penetrated the man's lungs, causing a wound from which he cannot possibly recover. Snyder has already spent a term in State Prison for burglary. A man named Charles Taylor has been arrested as an accomplice.

PROPOSALS FOR NEW CITY STOCK.

Sealed proposals will be received at the Controller's office up to 2 o'clock P. M. to-morrow for $1,202,500 seven per cent. consolidated stock of the City of New-York, when such tenders as may be made will be opened. This amount of stock is authorized by section 4, chapter 444, of the Laws of 1872, and chapter 322, Laws of 1871, payable Nov. 1, 1894, bearing interest at the rate of seven per cent., payable on the 1st of May and November in each year. The proposals are to state the amount of stock desired and the price per $100, and persons whose proposals shall be accepted will be required to deposit with the Chamberlain the sums awarded to them, together with any premiums thereon. The right is reserved on the part of the Controller to reject any or all bids if in his judgment the interests of the Corporation require it.

CITY AND SUBURBAN NEWS.

NEW-YORK.

The number of emigrants landed at Castle Garden Monday and Tuesday of this week was 617.

The members of the Congressional delegation who accompanied the body of the late Senator Sumner to Boston, left this City for Washington yesterday.

John McKenny, aged thirty-six, of No. 437 West Twenty-sixth street, fell from an ice wagon in Fourteenth street, yesterday, and was seriously injured.

The Yorkville Rebekah Degree Lodge, No. 25, I. O. O. F., will give a dramatic entertainment at Harlem Music Hall, to-morrow afternoon and evening, for the benefit of the poor of Harlem and Yorkville.

Meetings of German saloon-keepers were held yesterday in the Seventh, Seventeenth, and Eighteenth Wards to complete their newly-formed protective organizations for those districts, and enrolling additional names for membership.

A fine collection of cameos, engraved gems, paintings on ivory, old armor, bronzes, mosaics, medals, &c., will be sold at the Clinton Hall Salesrooms on this and the three following afternoons. The sale each day will commence at 4 P. M.

A meeting of German Republicans of the Third Assembly District was held at No. 219 Centre street last night, when action was taken to organize a German Republican club for that district, and those present registered their names as members.

Major Gen. George H. Sharpe will deliver a lecture on Friday evening at Lese Verein Hall, under the auspices of the William A. Darling Club, for the benefit of the poor of the Nineteenth Ward, taking as his subject, "The Last Hours of the Confederacy."

The announcement that diseases similar to the epizootic had broken out among the horses of the City railroad and street lines appears to have been much exaggerated. Few of the horses in the various stables have been attacked, and the proprietors of large stables have but little fear of its spreading.

A private dispatch received in this City from San Francisco, yesterday, states that passenger trains are now moving along the various railroad lines with little detention. The storm which continued with such violence for fifteen days previous, had entirely ceased, and no further interruption to traffic is anticipated.

At 3 o'clock yesterday morning the tug-boat E. Palmer, lying at Pier No. 48 East River, was discovered to be on fire, and, despite the exertions of the Fire Department, was almost totally destroyed before the flames could be extinguished. The boat is owned by Geo. Townsend, whose loss is estimated at $6,000; no insurance.

The particulars of a negociation published in a morning paper, by which the Western Union Telegraph Company sought to absorb the Atlantic and Pacific line on the basis of one share of Great Western for six of Atlantic and Pacific, are denounced by the Secretary of the latter company as a ruse to advance Western Union stock.

The Board of Police met yesterday and transferred Capt. John H. McElwaine from the Twentieth to the Thirty-first Precinct, and Capt. Charles McDonnell, from the Thirty-first to the Twentieth Precinct. About thirty roughs were also transferred from the Sanitary Squad and Twenty-sixth Precinct to post duty in various precincts in the City.

The Coachmen's Union League Society, composed of colored coachmen, organized for mutual relief, will give their fourth annual musical reception and ball at the National Assembly Rooms, in West Forty-fourth street, on the evening of Wednesday, April 8. The proceeds will be placed in the fund for the relief of distressed members and their families.

It is probable that a meeting will soon be called of members of the New-York Produce Exchange, to reconsider and take a second vote on the rejected amendments relative to increasing the fee for membership from $500 to $1,000. The amendments to the by-laws relative to the clearing of contracts, now under consideration, will probably be submitted to vote at the same meeting.

Sir L. Lorraine, who recently commanded the British frigate Niobe, and by whose active intervention the lives of many of the Virginius prisoners were saved from massacre at Santiago, is expected to arrive in New-York by the mail steamer from Bermuda. The Army and Navy Club propose, we understand, to give him a formal reception, as some acknowledgment of his services in protecting American citizens.

A grand mass-meeting of merchants and importers will be held at Steinway Hall, on the evening of the 25th inst., by invitation of the New-York Chamber of Commerce, to allow those present to hear a report from the special committee delegated by the Chamber to appear before the Ways and Means Committee, in the recent moieties investigation. Reports will also be heard from members of the Boston, Philadelphia, and Baltimore Committees, who were present at the investigation.

BROOKLYN.

Judge Moore decided yesterday not to permit Ex-Deputy Collector Gill out on bail for the present.

The visitors to Prospect Park during last week numbered 33,064; 31,759 persons visited the Park on Sunday.

Justice Pratt was so unwell yesterday that Justice Gilbert was obliged to take his place on the Bench in the Supreme Court Circuit.

The Brooklyn Aldermen have refused to grant the $29,348 additional appropriation asked for in order to have eleven mounted policemen in Brooklyn.

Thos. Silliman, the juror who was discovered to be drunk in the jury-room on Monday, was yesterday severely reprimanded by Judge Moore, and sent to jail for five days.

The Sheriff's sale of the property of the Long Island Club commenced yesterday, and will be continued to-day. A quantity of books and furniture sold realized but half their value.

Judas Schumacher was arrested last evening on a charge of stabbing Mrs. Elizabeth Gibbons, residing corner of Warren street and Rochester avenue. Schumacher had a wordy quarrel with Mrs. Gibbons, and when she turned her back plunged a knife into her shoulder. The wound is not dangerous.

The Board of Aldermen proves so unwieldy with thirty-five members that the ordin